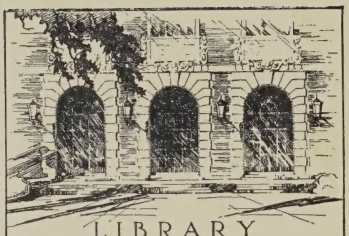

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Bro. W. A. Sime.....J.W.

R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay
W. Bro. R. Bonnett
W. Bro. R. A. Bruce

WINDSOR LODGE NO. 138:

Bro. E. Wallace.....W.M.
Bro. D. Griffith.....S.W.

R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
V.W. Bro. Geo. Tait
W. Bro. W. S. Breckon

W. Bro. T. C. Forbes
W. Bro. A. J. Horton
W. Bro. A. J. Wright

BEAVER LODGE NO. 139:

Bro. J. E. Toole.....S.W.
Bro. Ralph C. Ham....J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. S. Miller
W. Bro. W. Lawson
W. Bro. M. MacLean
W. Bro. W. Nason
W. Bro. S. W. Robertson
W. Bro. A. S. Scarth

MERIDIAN LODGE NO. 140:

Bro. David A. King...W.M.
Bro. A. A. Reid.....S.W.
Bro. D MacKay.....J.W.

M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd
R.W. Bro. Hugh Mackenzie
W. Bro. E. H. Crawford
W. Bro. Colin Mackenzie
W. Bro. W. S. Williams
W. Bro. Mark A. Woods
W. Bro. A. T. Woolston

TUSCAN LODGE NO. 141:

Bro. J. McKenzie.....W.M.
Bro. R. J. Clark.....J.W.

W. Bro. J. J. Allen
W. Bro. Norman W. Code
W. Bro. W. J. Harris
W. Bro. Alex. R. Simpson
W. Bro. N. Rotshtein
W. Bro. A. J. Wishart

HARMONY LODGE NO. 142:

W. Bro. W. E. Wiltsey

MT. SINAI LODGE NO. 143:

Bro. I. Guttman.....W.M.
Bro. J. Fred.....S.W.
Bro. J. S. Perlman....J.W.

R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green
V.W. Bro. Dr. C. J. Bermack
W. Bro. A. J. Blond
W. Bro. W. Bro. Harry Genaske
W. Bro. I. J. Goldstine
W. Bro. H. H. Guttman
W. Bro. Earl Haid
W. Bro. Wm. Leonoff
W. Bro. J. L. Rill
W. Bro. L. A. Seipp
W. Bro. A. E. Weidman

FORT OSBORNE LODGE NO. 144:

Bro. J. V. Jonasson . . . W.M.
Bro. T. B. Findlay . . . . . S.W.
Bro. E. D. Chable . . . . . J.W.

W. Bro. C. J. S. Dahl
W. Bro. Hugh Gordon
W. Bro. David Harriman
W. Bro. Alf. Smith
W. Bro. S. A. Wood

STURGEON CREEK LODGE NO. 145:

Bro. R. M. Gibson . . . . W.M.
Bro. C. R. Hodgdon . . . S.W.
Bro. W. H. Batchlor . . . J.W.

R.W. Bro. Tom Stockdale
W. Bro. D. A. Best
W. Bro. E. W. Browne
W. Bro. Edward Manby
W. Bro. A. C. B. Stewart
W. Bro. Geo. W. Zachary

FIDELITY LODGE NO. 146:

Bro. D. C. Duncan . . . . W.M.

R.W. Bro. J. J. Sinclair
W. Bro. Geo. Florence
W. Bro. Wm. D. Mackie
W. Bro. N. B. MacTaggart
W. Bro. A. Sandilands
W. Bro. E. J. Vickery

SEVEN OAKS LODGE NO. 148:

Bro. James Love . . . . . W.M.
Bro. M. McDonald . . . . . S.W.
Bro. G. M. McBain . . . . J.W.

W. Bro. J. Alexander
W. Bro. J. A. Beckett
W. Bro. F. W. Brownell
W. Bro. H. Chowne
W. Bro. E. L. J. Fuller
W. Bro. Geo. Macaulay
W. Bro. A. C. Pritchard
W. Bro. E. J. Scott

CARTWRIGHT LODGE NO. 150:

Bro. Walter H. Newton W.M.
Bro. H. D. Churchill . . . S.W.
Bro. S. H. Richards . . . . J.W.

THE DORMER LODGE NO. 151:

Bro. J. Elder . . . . . W.M.
Bro. D. F. Reid . . . . . S.W.

R.W. Bro. Rev. Harry Sherstone
W. Bro. W. G. Brisley
W. Bro. Jas. Buchan
W. Bro. A. E. Longstaffe
W. Bro. R. W. Ross
W. Bro. J. H. Sanders

FLIN FLON LODGE NO. 153:
Bro. E. E. Foster.....W.M.

PINE FALLS LODGE NO. 145:
Bro. G. A. Stewart....S.W. W. Bro. Wm. Bird

CARMAN LODGE NO. 155:
Bro. A. E. Clayton....W.M. R.W. Bro. A. W. Badger
R.W. Bro. N. R. Pickell
W. Bro. E. M. Sanders

MANITOUWAPA LODGE U.D.
Bro. D. Ferguson.....J.W.

OPENING

The Hon. Robert Hawkins, Most Worshipful Grand Master accompanied by Past Grand Masters and other Grand Lodge Officers entered the Lodge Room in formal procession while the members sang "Lead Us Heavenly Father, Lead Us". The Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M. was opened in Ample Form in its Sixty-Fourth Annual Communication. Prayer was offered by R.W. Bro. Harry Sherstone, Grand Chaplain.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master invited all Master Masons in waiting to enter, and gave them a sincere and hearty welcome to the Sessions of Grand Lodge.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

Distinguished Visitors were announced and presented as follows:

Grand Lodge of Alberta

M.W Bro. Archibald West, Grand Master,
Introduced by M.W. Bro. Victor Bowes.

M.W. Bro. M. M. Downie, Past Grand Master,
Introduced by M.W. Bro. Victor Bowes.

R.W. Bro. F. J. Hand, Grand Registrar,
Introduced by M.W. Bro. Victor Bowes.

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan

M.W. Bro. S. C. Burton, Grand Master,
Introduced by M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller.

M.W. Bro. The Hon. W. J. Estey, Past Grand Master,
Introduced by M.W. Bro. The Hon. W. J. Major.

R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary,
Introduced by M.W. Bro. The Hon. W. J. Major.

Grand Lodge of North Dakota

R.W. Bro. Harry Gill, Deputy Grand Master,
Introduced by R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters.

Grand Lodge of Minnesota

M.W. Bro. The Hon. Gunnar H. Nordbye, Grand Master,
Introduced by M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd.

M.W. Bro. Ralph Stanford, Past Grand Master,
Introduced by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods.

Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario)

M.W. Bro. Wm. J. Dunlop, Grand Master,
Introduced by M.W. Bro. Col. Royal Burritt.

Our Distinguished Visitors were accorded Grand Honors.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master received and welcomed the Distinguished Visitors as follows:

"Worshipful Sirs and Brethren:—We are very happy indeed to once again receive at our Annual Grand Lodge Communication, Representatives of the Grand Lodges of Minnesota, North Dakota, Ontario, Saskatchewan and Alberta, and on behalf of the Freemasons of Manitoba, I sincerely and cordially welcome you all.

"We are honoured by your presence, and highly appreciative of your visit to us at this time.

"I am glad to see among you those who have been here on former occasions, and to know that you have returned again to greet the old friends and brothers, to renew once more the happy associations of bygone years and revive the evenness of the days spent together in your visits to us and of the visit of our brethren to your various Jurisdictions. You are our honoured guests; It is our desire that you enjoy to the full your stay with us and in the fraternal care of the brethren, we trust that you will be happy and content, and as you return to the brethren of your own Lodge, you will carry with you the recollection of a few days well spent with your Brother Masons of Manitoba, and retain the feeling of friendship still further strengthened and deepened by your visit.

"It is the wish of the Brethren that at tomorrow's Session, you speak to us and convey the greetings of your respective Jurisdictions; We look forward with much pleasure to hearing from you at that time.

"I now invite you to the Grand East, and ask the Brethren who made the introductions to present our distinguished guests and escort them to their seats."

FLAG CEREMONY

W. Bro. Sydney Foreman (4), bearing the Union Jack, and W. Bro. A. T. Woolston (140), bearing the Stars and Stripes entered the Lodge Room and presented their flags at the Altar, the Brethren singing "O Canada" followed by the two National Anthems, "God Save the King" and "America", after which the flags were placed in the East.

REGULATIONS

On motion of R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), seconded by R. W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), Deputy Grand Master, the regulations for the government of Grand Lodge as printed, were adopted.

READING OF MINUTES

On motion of R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), seconded by M.W. Bro. James Mackie (4) the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Sixty-third Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held in Winnipeg, on the 8th and 9th of June, 1938, were taken as read and confirmed as printed.

RECEIVING REPRESENTATIVES OF SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Alabama	R.W. Bro. F. H. Dagg
Alberta	R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr
Canada (in Ontario)	M.W. Bro. J. C. Walker Reid
Connecticut	R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
Costa Rica	R.W. Bro. R. McKenzie
Delaware	R.W. Bro. John Coulter
Denmark, N.G.L.	V.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
District of Columbia	R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon
England	M.W. Bro. W. J. Major
Florida	M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins
France, N.G.L.	R.W. Bro. C. A Midwinter
Georgia	R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell
Honduras	R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan
Illinois	V.W. Bro. W. R. Leslie
Ireland	M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd
Kansas	M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller
Louisiana	R.W. Bro. C. E. Cole
Maine	R.W. Bro. W. D. Harper
Minnesota	R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker
Mississippi	M.W. Bro. George N. Jackson
Missouri	R.W. Bro. Maris H. Garton
Nebraska	R.W. Bro. Hugh Mackenzie
Nevada	R.W. Bro. T. A. Argue
New Brunswick	R.W. Bro. Rev. G. R. Calvert
New Hampshire	M.W. Bro. George Hunter
New Mexico	R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
New South Wales	M.W. Bro. James Mackie
New Zealand	R.W. Bro. Sam Burland
North Carolina	R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
North Dakota	R.W. Bro. J. Frank Dart
Nova Scotia	M.W. Bro. Dr. D. S. Woods
Ohio	W. Bro. A. E. Boyle
Oregon	R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson
Philippine Islands	R.W. Bro. Rev. J. S. Miller
Rio de Janeiro	R.W. Bro. Wm. Cairns

Santa Domingo	R.W. Bro. Wm. G. Shaw
Saskatchewan	R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess
Scotland	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
South Dakota	R.W. Bro. Tom Stockdale
Tennessee	M.W. Bro. Jas. S. MacEwing.
Texas	M.W. Bro. H. J. Pugh
Utah	R.W. Bro. Dr. J. A. Martin
Virginia	M.W. Bro. Harry Woods
Washington	R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay
West Virginia	M.W. Bro. Wm. Fenwick

The Representatives were accorded Grand Honours.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master received and welcomed the Representatives as follows:

"Most Worshipful Brethren:—In receiving and welcoming you today as Representatives of our Sister Grand Lodges, and accepting the greetings you convey to us, we are impressed by the fact that in spite of the suppression of Freemasonry in countries where individual freedom is prohibited, and religion and philosophy have become subordinated to the so-called new ideology of the supremacy of the State, and all the nobler spiritual attributes of man are no longer encouraged to grow and develop there are still a goodly number of countries as represented by you, where our great system of philosophy can still continue, and may I add a word of warning, that we let no neglect of the cultivation of the spiritual life endanger our freedom of conscience, of thought, and of action.

"We are proud to acknowledge you today and ask that you convey our kindly greetings and good wishes to the Jurisdictions you represent from the Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba."

M.W. Bro. W. J. Major (25) replied to the greetings of the M.W. Grand Master and thanked him for his gracious welcome, on behalf of the body of Grand Representatives.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons:

As we meet together for the Sixty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, I have the honour to present for your consideration the record of my services, and a statement of my experiences, together with some impressions of the progress and events of the Masonic year just closing, during which I have occupied the highly responsible and exalted position of Grand Master.

With a feeling of humble reverence and thankfulness to the Great Architect of the Universe, for the preservation of health and energy with which I have been blessed, a deep sense of gratitude to all my Brethren for the courtesy and honour with which I have everywhere been received, and the kindly feelings of friendship and regard so freely shown at all times, I desire to express my sincere and heartfelt thanks.

Before proceeding with the story of the year's events, I extend a very cordial welcome to all the Brethren assembled here to take part in this annual meeting of the Grand Lodge. We are happy to greet once again all those who have attended former meetings, and to express to them a word of commendation for the continuing interest they are taking in the work of the Grand Lodge, and we especially welcome those who are here for the first time, and trust that this may be the start of an active interest in Grand Lodge Communications, which will result in continued attendance, and the formation of associations and friendships to make them still more serviceable to their fellowmen, and increase their Masonic knowledge and understanding.

Having had the honour of representing the Grand Lodge of Manitoba at the 1937 communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, which was held at the City of Moose Jaw, I was pleased to again represent Manitoba at the Thirty-

second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, at Prince Albert, on June the 14th, 15th and 16th, 1938, where I was received with the Grand Honours by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Mark Musk, and the Grand Lodge Officers and members. I thoroughly enjoyed once again fraternizing with the Brethren of Saskatchewan, and to have had the pleasure of conveying the greetings of the Brethren of Manitoba, and I gratefully acknowledge my appreciation of the kindness, courtesy, and good fellowship, extended to me on this occasion. Saskatchewan being our next neighbouring province to the west, and having close affiliations with Manitoba, and much in common, both being largely agricultural, it was very gratifying to note from the reports submitted that in spite of the difficulties under which the people of Saskatchewan have suffered during the past several years, Masonry continues to make steady progress, and to preserve the faith, and maintain its position with fortitude and courage.

It will be recalled that at our last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, provision was made for a contribution to the development of Masonic Island at Lake Metagoshe, in North Dakota, and I had the pleasure of visiting the Island, and the annual picnic on Sunday, the tenth of July, together with Most Worshipful Brother George Hunter, and Right Worshipful Brother John Gardner, where I had the honour of making an address, conveying the greetings of, and the contribution from the Manitoba Brethren, which was most gratefully received by Most Worshipful Brother Robert E. Trousdale, the Grand Master of North Dakota, and much appreciated by Brother Judge Grimson, who conceived the idea, and is doing so much to carry out the work of making the open air Lodge in this beautiful natural setting, a quiet retreat, and a place of peace. I heartily commend to the brethren of Manitoba a visit to our brethren of North Dakota at this unique and lovely Lodge, far from the crowded haunts and the busy marts, amid the grand old trees on this peaceful island, in the still waters of the lake.

Reference was made by Most Worshipful Bro. John T. Boyd in the address at our last Annual Grand Lodge to the

celebration by the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia of the Two hundredth Anniversary of the organization of the first Lodge of Free Masonry in Canada. Most Worshipful Brother John T. Boyd and Right Worshipful Brother W. D. Lawrence very kindly agreed to attend the celebration as representatives of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. We are deeply indebted to these two Brethren for undertaking this duty, and for the very thorough and highly interesting reports which have been presented by Most Worshipful John T. Boyd and the Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Brother W. D. Lawrence, at our District Meetings and at several other Lodges. Our two representatives returned to Manitoba on the Twenty-second of July, together with the following distinguished Brethren:

Representing the Grand Lodge of England:

R.W. Bro. General Sir Francis J. Davies, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., V.L., Deputy Grand Master.

R.W. Bro. Viscount deVesci, D.L., Senior Grand Warden.

R.W. Bro. Rev. T. T. Blockley, M.A., Provincial Grand Master for Oxfordshire.

W. Bro. Major Robert L. Lloyd, O.B.E., M.C., Past Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies.

Representing the Grand Lodge of Scotland:

M.W. Bro. Brig.-Gen'l. Sir Norman A. Orr Ewing, Bart., D.S.O., A.D.C., V.L., Grand Master Mason of Scotland.

R.W. Bro. T. G. Winning, J.P., Grand Secretary.

Representing the Grand Lodge of Ireland:

R.W. Bro. Raymond F. Brooks, Deputy Grand Master.

R.W. Bro. Lt. Col. Lord Farnham, D.S.O., Provincial Grand Master of Meath.

Dr. Wm. E. Thrift, Provost of Trinity College, Dublin.

These Brethren were entertained throughout the day by the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and a Masonic dinner was

arranged at the historic site of Lower Fort Garry with these distinguished Brothers as our guests, at which I had the honour of presiding. This was a very happy gathering, and a memorable and interesting event, most of our Grand Lodge Officers, and a number of Past Grand Masters attended, together with representatives from North Dakota, Minnesota and British Columbia. The presence of Most Worshipful Brother John T. Boyd and Right Worshipful Brother W. D. Lawrence, who had been with our guests at the anniversary celebration, and travelled with them from Eastern Canada, greatly assisted in the success and added much to the pleasure and enjoyment of the day spent with our Brethren from the Ancient Lodges of the older lands.

It was with some concern and apprehension that I started to make arrangements for my official visits, having in mind the new arrangement of Districts, and being highly desirous of carrying to a satisfactory conclusion the well thought out, and carefully planned work of the Committee who had so long and patiently studied the situation, and whose recommendations we accepted last year. Let me say at the outset that as I traveled over the Province and concluded my visits, I found the new arrangements working very satisfactorily and harmoniously, and that there was no need of any apprehension whatever. Wherever there were changes, and Lodges transferred from one District to another, they were cordially welcomed and made to feel just as much at home as in the old Districts in which they had been formerly associated. I believe the Three Lodges placed under the direct supervision of the Grand Master are quite satisfied, and very glad to be in their present position, with perhaps the feeling they may be taken care of to an ever greater extent than they were, owing to their somewhat isolated situation in the former District plan. I am confident that the present arrangement is a great improvement, and of benefit to all the Lodges affected.

Being desirous of arranging my official visits to meet as far as possible the wishes of the District Deputy Grand Masters, and the Brethren of the Districts, and taking into consideration climatic conditions, and the times most con-

venient for traveling, early in July, together with the Grand Secretary, I worked out a programme of dates for all the District Meetings, except the First and Twelfth Districts, and for the three Lodges not included in Districts, and submitted these dates to the District Deputy Grand Masters, and the Worshipful Masters of the three Lodges. These were found to be quite satisfactory, with one exception, where the District Deputy Grand Master thought the date suggested might be too early, on account of harvesting and threshing not being completed, a later date was set, and with this one change, the programme was accepted. I refer to this, as I believe it is advisable that all the District Deputy Grand Masters, Grand Lodge Officers, and as many of the Brethren as possible, should know early in the year when and where the District Meetings are to be held, and the itinerary of the Grand Master. I found that this arrangement enabled many of the Brethren to visit and fraternize with Districts other than their own, and I think it had much to do with the exceptionally large attendance at all the District Meetings this year. The dates and places of the District Meetings held are:

Tenth Masonic District at Stony Mountain, on 30th August
Sprague Lodge No. 132, at Sprague.....on 31st August
Flin Flon Lodge No. 153, at Flin Flon...on 6th September
The Pas Lodge No. 124, at The Pas.....on 7th September
Fifth Masonic District at Hamiota.....on 14th September
Sixth Masonic District at Hartney.....on 21st September
Fourth Masonic District at Killarney...on 22nd September
Third Masonic District at Glenboro....on 23rd September
Second Masonic District at Austin.....on 4th October
Eighth Masonic District at Carman.....on 5th October
Seventh Masonic District at Alexander.....on 7th October
Ninth Masonic District at Grandview.....on 12th October
(The former Eleventh District is now merged with the Ninth)

Later in the year, with the advice and approval of the District Deputy Grand Masters and the Grand Lodge Officers, the dates for the First and Twelfth Districts, which takes in all the Lodges in and around the City of Winnipeg, were set, and the meetings held in the Masonic Temple, Winnipeg, as follows:

First Masonic District.....28th January, 1939
Twelfth Masonic District.....18th February, 1939

It is worth noting that these two meetings were planned and held on Saturday evening, and judging from the attendance and interest shown, this seemed eminently suitable for the Brethren of the City and surrounding Lodges.

I am glad to report that I was able to attend all these meetings, and to have been able to address the Brethren on each occasion. The meetings were all well arranged and largely attended, the programmes carefully prepared by the District Deputy Grand Masters; the addresses, discussions and entertainment of a very high order; the interest well sustained, and the very best social and friendly atmosphere prevailed. Old and new friends met and enjoyed being together under the benign influence of the Brotherhood. We were fortunate in having fine weather and sunny days at all the rural meetings, and with afternoon and evening sessions, there was ample time for all the necessary business of the Districts, and the usual Masonic banquets and social intercourse which forms so enjoyable a part of these gatherings.

In all cases, the meetings, due to excellent management, were concluded in reasonable time, without being in any way hurried, and the Brethren able to return to their homes in good time. I desire to express my grateful thanks to the District Deputy Grand Masters, and all who assisted them in the arrangements for the meetings, particularly the women folk, who at every place nobly sustained the reputation of Manitoba women in the excellent and bountiful banquets with which we were regaled. I am satisfied that by these meetings the purposes of the Craft were maintained, and the brethren sustained and encouraged in their efforts to higher achievement in the work of the Lodges, and the Masonic life.

These remarks apply chiefly to the meetings other than those of the First and Twelfth Districts, both of which were held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Winnipeg, in the

evenings, and I was deeply impressed by the highly efficient arrangement, the large attendance, including many visitors; the keen interest in the work of the order; the interesting and inspiring addresses, and the free and friendly intercourse among all the Brethren, and, again I pay tribute to Deputy Grand Masters, Right Worshipful Brothers Harvey T. Waters, and Hugh MacKenzie, the Past Grand Masters, and Grand Lodge Officers who helped to make these meetings so successful in every way.

Other special occasions on which I was able to visit and address the Brethren are:

Manitoba Night at St. John's Lodge No. 4, on March 1st, 1939.

The Annual Banquet and Social Evening at McCreary Lodge No. 133, on April 26th, 1939.

Hiram Lodge No. 94, Grandview, Official Visit of D.D.G.M. on April 27th, 1939.

International Night at Reston Lodge No. 104, on April 28th, 1939.

Fortieth Anniversary of Vermillion Lodge No. 68, at Dauphin, on May 18th, 1939.

I would like to make special mention of the annual "Manitoba Night" at St. John's Lodge, and the "International Night" at Reston, both of which have deep significance at the present time. At the "Manitoba Night", all the members of the Legislative Assembly belonging to the Craft were invited, and most of them attended. In the various addresses and speeches reference was made to the increasingly exacting and onerous duties of men on elective public bodies, with expressions of appreciation for their public spirit and service, and of particular interest was the strong condemnation by various speakers of the deplorable tendency in certain quarters, and particularly the Press, to treat with contempt and derision Legislative and Municipal bodies and their members. Amongst the members of the Craft there are a large number of men with a proper sense of responsibility and citizenship, who give freely of their time and talents to the public service, and who work unceasingly for the common good. On such occasions as this, it is

well to know that among Masons their work is appreciated, and I am happy to record the tributes paid to our public representatives, to sustain and encourage them in their work and their efforts, to maintain the principles, and preserve the institutions of our free democracies.

In the light of present day conditions, when the peoples of the United States and the British Empire are being drawn closer together in their efforts to preserve the political and spiritual freedom of their peoples, and to resist the dangerous encroachment of the purely pagan and materialistic political philosophy which has converted European countries to systems of government by force, maintained by military power, and with the entire loss of individual freedom. Such gatherings as that at Reston, and other Lodges, held for the purpose of encouraging and maintaining the best of friendly relations with peoples of all nationalities, take on a deeper significance, and in the felicitations of such meetings lies new hope, and inspiration, to continue our efforts in the art of trying to live together in freedom, peace, and security.

It is a matter of regret to me that I was unable to visit the Lodges who celebrated Jubilee Anniversaries this year. The Brethren of Transcona Lodge No. 123 celebrated their Silver Jubilee on Friday the Twenty-first of April, 1939. The Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Brother W. D. Lawrence, kindly consented to act as my representative on this occasion, and attended and addressed the Brethren in his usual incomparable manner. This meeting was highly interesting and thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Lebanon Lodge No. 43, at Virden, commemorated its Fiftieth Anniversary, Wednesday, May Seventeenth, 1939. I had long looked forward with pleasurable anticipation to taking part in this event, but being in somewhat poor health, was unable to stand the strain of making the journey, and so I arranged with Right Worshipful Brother J. J. Henderson, our Senior Grand Warden, to represent me and convey the greetings and felicitations of Grand Lodge, which he did

in his own impressive and sincere way. His interesting and instructive address was received with great attention and much appreciated. Much careful preparation had been made by the Brethren of Lebanon Lodge for this celebration, with the result that it was in every way a successful and happy event.

I congratulate all the Lodges who held special Anniversary Meetings this year. Occasions like these do much to maintain the interest in the Lodges; telling the story of the early days; reviving memories of the Brethren who began the good work, and the effect of their contribution to Masonry, and the life of their day and times, is always an inspiration and encouragement to greater service in the present.

It is fitting that in this report mention be made of those who have passed from among us during the year, and with reverent affection we pay our tribute of respect to the memory of the Brethren who with courage and fortitude faced the daily tasks of life, whose desire to be of service to their fellow men found expression in the life and activities of Freemasonry. The report of the Committee on our fraternal dead will make suitable reference to all the departed Brethren, and here we mention those whose rank as Grand Lodge Officers merits a special place in this record:

R.W. Bro. James H. Pollock, Oriental Lodge No. 54, Grand Steward, 1913, District Deputy Grand Master 1920. Died January 1st, 1938.

V.W. Bro. Alex. Little, Fort Garry Lodge No. 130, Past Grand Tyler, 1935. Died May 2nd, 1938.

R.W. Bro. Bennett Parkinson, Prince of Wales Lodge No. 14, District Deputy Grand Master, 1924. Died June 3rd, 1938.

R.W. Bro. Wm. McCuaig, Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, Grand Steward, 1916. Died September 23rd, 1938.

R.W. Bro. Alex. L. Young, Glenwood Lodge No. 27, Grand Steward, 1895, District Deputy Grand Master, 1896. Died October 8th, 1938.

R.W. Bro. Dr. Wm. A. Mott, District Deputy Grand Master, 1919. Died October 20th, 1938.

R. W. Bro. John Davis, District Deputy Grand Master. 1929 Secretary of Lebanon Lodge No. 43. Died April, 22nd, 1939.

These Brethren have left us a goodly heritage from lives of generous instincts, kindly deeds and faithful service. May the memory of their virtues inspire us with greater courage and stronger faith to face our daily tasks, and to serve as they served. Their tasks on earth are done, we leave them to their eternal rest in the peace of God.

I am happy to record the names of Brethren who during the year received Jewels commemorating their Fifty years membership in the Craft:

R.W. Bro. Jas. F. Newcombe, Gladstone Lodge No. 11, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, on June 26th, 1938.

R.W. Bro. Richard Kellett, Carman Lodge No. 155, presented by R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, on October 5th, 1938.

Bro. Thos. W. Leslie, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1, New York, mailed direct to him, June 22nd, 1938.

R.W. Bro. Robert Munroe, Beaver Lodge No. 139, presented by M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin, on February 9th, 1939.

W. Bro. E. Casselman, Emerson Lodge No. 6, presented by R.W. Bro. Norman McDougall, at Emerson, on May 18th, 1939.

I pay tribute to these elder Brothers whose long lives of active membership of over half a century, faithful to the principles and high ideals of Freemasonry, inspire in all of us ennobling thoughts and higher aspirations. Kindly, and gentle and strong they stand as the "shadow of a rock in a weary land."

There was only one appointment of Grand Representative from this Lodge made this year, that of Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge National of Columbia near this Grand Lodge, to which I appointed Worshipful Brother Thomas W. Neelands, of Prince Arthur Lodge No. 105.

Recognizing the situation in regard to the Benevolent Fund, and the need for maintaining the active interest and support of the Lodges, I early enlisted the aid of Most Worshipful Bro. Harry Woods, and, following the good example of Most Worshipful Brother John T. Boyd, last year, I sent a special letter to all the Lodges, asking for donations to the Fund. At all the District Meetings Most Worshipful Bro. Woods explained to the Brethren the condition of the Fund, and its purposes. Whatever increase was made will be shown in the Committee report to be submitted to you.

A Petition for a Lodge was received from the Brethren residing in the district between Lake Manitoba and Lake Winnipeg, along the line of the Canadian National Railway running along the East side of Lake Manitoba. The petition was approved, and on May the twelfth, 1939, Manitouwapa Lodge was instituted, under dispensation, with Brother Thomas Gelmon as Worshipful Master; Brother William J. Paulson as Senior Warden, and Brother David Ferguson as Junior Warden; with a total of Twenty-four Brother Master Masons as charter members. I issued a dispensation to Most Worshipful Brother Harry Woods to institute this Lodge. The ceremonies were conducted by the following Officers:

Worshipful Master	M.W. Bro. Harry Woods
Immediate Past Master	M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd
Senior Warden	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
Junior Warden	M.W. Bro. Jas. Mackie
Treasurer	R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess
Secretary	R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell
Senior Deacon	M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt
Junior Deacon	R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
Chaplin	R.W. Bro. Rev. H. Sherstone
Senior Steward	W. Bro. Dave King
Junior Steward	R.W. Bro. Rev. G. R. Calvert
Organist	V.W. Bro. W. S. Williams
Inner Guard	W. Bro. Ben C. Parker
Director of Ceremonies	R.W. Bro. J. S. Wilson

The Grand Lodge Officers instructed the new Officers and addressed the Brethren. This Lodge is well located for the convenience of Brethren in a very wide, though somewhat

sparsely settled district. It had a very impressive opening, and an encouraging start, and will undoubtedly make good progress.

In this position of great and grave responsibility, with duties calling for strength and judgment, and the ever present need of meeting all situations with prompt, careful and courteous attention, one of the things which impressed me most throughout the year, and moved me most deeply, is the unvarying kindness and always willing help which I have received from the Past Grand Masters and the Grand Lodge Officers, and their readiness to accept and carry out any duty or task requested. All were eager and glad to be of service, and seemed to contrive to make my work pleasant and easy. I desire to express to all these Brethren my sincere thanks and appreciation. It is scarcely necessary to mention all those to whom I pay a tribute of gratitude, they will know and remember, but I feel I must record in particular my appreciation of all that I owe to the counsel, guidance and assistance of Most Worshipful Brother Harry Woods, and Right Worshipful Brother J. H. G. Russell, the Grand Secretary, both of whom accompanied me on all my official visits. No task was too great, and no day too long to daunt the spirit or tire the energies of these two devoted souls, to whom Masonry in Manitoba is so deeply indebted, and whose fraternal care and friendship has been, and is, a blessing and a benediction. May God bless and keep them throughout all their days.

The reports of the Board of General Purposes, and other Committees to be submitted to you, will show the progress of the year, and the present condition of the whole jurisdiction. I believe Masonry in Manitoba has maintained its standing this year; has made some progress, and is still continuing in its high purposes, lofty aims and noble ideals, to enrich and beautify the lives of its members, and to influence and strengthen for the good and the right, all who come within its orbit.

In placing before you my record of service, I do so with a deep sense of gratitude and thankfulness to all my Brothers

of the Craft for the very great honour of being privileged to be the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and in quiet confidence that together we may continue under the blessing of the Great Architect of the Universe, to increase in wisdom and understanding, to grow in strength, and to order our lives in the beauty of purity and holiness, I pray above all for the blessing of peace to come upon a distracted world. "That our people shall abide in peaceful habitations, and in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places."

Fraternally submitted,

ROBERT HAWKINS,
Grand Master.

On motion of M.W. Bro. W. J. Major (25), seconded by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114) the Grand Master's address was referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Address.

Solo by Bro. W. Davidson Thomson.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTIVE GRAND LODGE OFFICERS AND THE BOARD

The Grand Secretary reported the following Nominations had been received:

For:

M.W. Grand Master:
R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Ionic Lodge No. 25

R.W. Deputy Grand Master:
R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, Miniota Lodge No. 102.

R.W. Senior Grand Warden:
R.W. Bro. Rev. G. R. Calvert, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.

R.W. Junior Grand Warden:
R.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan, Tweed Lodge No. 113.
R.W. Bro. Maris Garton, Doric Lodge No. 36.

R.W. Bro. Sam Burland, Stonewall Lodge No. 12.
V.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni, Gladstone Lodge No. 11.

R.W. Grand Treasurer:
R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.

R.W. Grand Secretary:
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114.

R.W. Grand Chaplain:
R.W. Bro. P. T. Pilkey, Ionic Lodge No. 25.

R.W. Grand Historian:
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, St. John's Lodge No. 4.

R.W. Grand Director of Ceremonies:
W. Bro. Neil B. MacTaggart, Fidelity Lodge No. 146.
R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer, Northern Light Lodge No. 10.

R.W Grand Librarian:
R.W. Bro. Rev. C. R. Somerset, Lisgar Lodge No. 2.

Board of General Purposes:
W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.
R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.
W. Bro. Kenneth R. Kennedy, St. John's Lodge No. 4.
R.W. Bro. Samuel Burland, Stonewall Lodge No. 12.
R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters, Ionic Lodge No. 25.
R.W. Bro. J. Frank Dart, King Edward Lodge No. 93.
R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr, Tweed Lodge No. 113.
R.W. Bro. Wm. McLellan, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114.
R.W. Bro. W. J. Wilson, Norwood Lodge No. 119.
R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green, Mt. Sinai Lodge No. 143.

SCRUTINEERS

The Most Worshipful Grand Master appointed the following Brethren to act as Scrutineers:

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130)
W. Bro. J. W. Tackaberry (4)

with power to add to their number.

FRATERNAL GREETINGS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Letters conveying fraternal greetings and good wishes were received from:

R.W. Bro. Milo B. Price, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

M.W. Bro. Chas. M. Pollock, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

M.W. Bro. Dr. W. H. Hirsch, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of South Dakota.

M.W. Bro. Herman F. Chapman, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of South Dakota.

R.W. Bro. Rev. J. L. Peacock, D.D., our Grand Representative, Grand Lodge of North Carolina

M.W. Bro. Lt.-Col. Jas. Scroggie, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

M.W. Bro. J. C. Walker Reid, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

R.W. Bro. W. R. McConnell, P.D.D.G.M., Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

R.W. Bro. Louis Armit, P.D.D.G.M., Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

Winnipeg, May 31st, 1939.

To the M.W. The Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Your Board of General Purposes begs to report as follows:

During the past lodge year, the Board held only the five statutory meetings, in addition to the meeting at the close of the last annual communication. There were no special meetings, thanks to the completion of the constitution, the determination of districts and the general peace and harmony that prevailed throughout the jurisdiction.

MEETING JUNE 17TH, 1938

The matter of the lost flags of "The Assiniboine No. 114", was brought to light. Just recently the flags were discovered and this item satisfactorily disposed of.

The report of the nominating committee was received and adopted and the committees struck for the ensuing year.

A resolution naming the Grand Treasurer, the Grand Secretary and the Chairmen of the Investment and Finance Committees as the signing officers of Grand Lodge was adopted.

$100.00 was donated to Masonic Island Committee.

The Board expressed its appreciation to R.W. Bro. T. A. Argue in looking after the necessary Masonic furniture for Grand Lodge, and initiated a move which led to the procuring by Grand Lodge of its own furniture.

M.W. Harry Woods reported on his visit to the Grand Lodge of South Dakota, and the presentation of a Canadian flag, provided by M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd to that body.

MEETING SEPTEMBER 16TH, 1938

The removal of Roblin Lodge No. 122 to the new quarters purchased by that Lodge was approved.

A Committee was appointed to alter and furnish the proposed new library and board room. This work was carried to completion and the new quarters are now ready for occupancy.

R.W. Bros. Donnelly and Henderson made constructive proposals regarding literature for newly made Masons.

MEETING NOVEMBER 18TH, 1938

The matter of a presentation to His Majesty the King by Grand Lodge was discussed and referred to a committee in that behalf.

Petitions were presented from Shiloh Lodge No. 70 and Concord Lodge No. 135, asking that they be allowed to amalgamate and continue under the name and number of Shiloh Lodge No. 70. As all the provisions of the Constitution as outlined in Section 197 have been carried out, the Board of General Purposes recommends to Grand Lodge that these petitions be granted.

On the suggestion of W. Bro. Boyle it was decided to notify the constituent lodges as to the necessity of complying with the provisions of the constitution in regard to their elections.

Committees were appointed in connection with the 1939 Grand Lodge communication.

MEETING FEBRUARY 17TH, 1939

The advisability of changing our funeral service to meet inclement weather conditions was referred to the custodians of the work.

The committee on a presentation to His Majesty the King, reported that such was not possible, on the occasion of his Canadian visit.

The committee on arrangements designated the Royal Alexandra Hotel as the place of the 1939 Grand communications.

The M.W. the Grand Master reported that he had satisfactorily adjusted the difference of Stony Mountain Lodge No. 134. His report was adopted with the thanks of the Board.

The Board recommended to the Grand Master the issue of a dispensation for the formation of Manitouwapa Lodge at Moosehorn.

MEETING APRIL 21ST, 1939

The programme committee reported that M.W. Bro. Hon. W. J. Estey, P.G.M. of The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, would speak at the Grand Lodge communication on June 8th, and that M.W. Bro. Judge Nordbye, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota would speak at the past masters' luncheon on the same date.

In accordance with the preceding minute Manitouwapa Lodge at Moosehorn, was duly instituted on May 12th, 1939. Through the generosity of M.W. Bro. Boyd, a special car the "White Otter" was chartered and a large party of Grand Lodge officers was in attendance. A goodly representation also attended from Winnipeg, Stonewall, and other points. The occasion was unique, in that all the chairs were occupied by Grand Lodge officers including five past grand masters. M.W. Bro. Harry Woods presided. The result was that Manitouwapa Lodge received an impetus at its first meeting that will do much to carry it through the early viscissitudes, which every young lodge must meet, and established a high standard in Masonic spirit, ritualism, and enthusiasm, for its future officers and members.

In closing, the Board once more records its appreciation of the uniform courtesy and efficiency of our Grand Secretary throughout another year of outstanding Masonic service.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. D. LAWRENCE,
President.

On motion of R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), the report of the Board of General Purposes was received and adopted.

M.W. Bro. S. C. Burton, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, was called on by the M.W. the Grand Master, to address the Brethren at this time, as he had to leave in the morning for Regina.

M.W. Bro. Burton brought a fine message of greeting and best wishes from the Brethren of Saskatchewan and spoke of the hopeful outlook for Freemasonry in his Grand Jurisdiction.

CALLED FROM LABOR

At 10:15 p.m. the closing hymn was sung, and Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 10:30 o'clock a.m. tomorrow, Thursday, June 8th, 1939.

Second Day

Thursday, June 8th, 1939

Morning Session

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to Labor at 10:40 a.m. by Most Worshipful Bro. Robert Hawkins, Grand Master.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF FREEMASONRY

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, begs to report as follows:

That a careful study of the condition of the Craft in this jurisdiction has been made and in this regard most of our report is based upon information supplied by secretaries of the constituent lodges on Report Form No. 20 and by District Deputy Grand Masters on Report Form No. 21.

Your committee wishes to pay tribute to those secretaries who have taken considerable pains in the compilation of these reports,

but wishes also to point out that some secretaries are very lax about sending in these reports early in the year. In fact, four of these reports from city lodges arrived so late that your committee has not had an opportunity to go over them—having had to make the District Deputy Grand Master's report for these lodges do double duty.

It is the opinion of the members of your committee that Report Form No. 20 does not give a true picture of the condition of Freemasonry in any lodge. It is doubtful if the same interpretation is put upon the phrase "total of all arrearages", because we have found that when members have been suspended for non-payment of dues their arrears were still charged up; and in the matter of "amounts paid for relief" some lodges include grants given by Grand Lodge as part of their contribution to relief, and others include amounts paid to the Benevolent Fund. Your committee recommends that the Grand Master appoint a committee to look into the mater of providing a simpler form.

Your committee has checked over the financial returns made on both report forms and, after consultation with the Grand Secretary, has come to the conclusion that the only accurate statement in this regard is that made in the Grand Secretary's report and that detail information regarding all Lodges in this jurisdiction is set out fully in the "Tabular Statement of Constituent Lodges" and in the "Statistical Reports of the Masonic Districts" which are found printed at the end of the Proceedings of Grand Lodge. It has, therefore, been decided to concentrate on the working of the Craft and the spirit of Freemasonry in Manitoba.

At the last Communication of the Grand Lodge the Constitution was revised and many important changes were introduced. The Committee on Condition of Freemasonry would be remiss in its duty if it did not point out in this report that one of the attributes that goes to make for happiness and harmony in a lodge is an intelligent grasp of the Constitution of Grand Lodge. The masters and secretaries of all lodges should familiarize themselves with the new constitution, and in so doing save the Grand Secretary from letters the replies to which may be found therein.

The last report of the Committee on Credentials showed that nineteen lodges were not represented by one or more of the principal officers, and the names of these lodges are printed in last year's proceedings. It might be well for all of us to refer back occasionally to the time when we were received into Freemasonry and given a Constitution and a set of By-laws and instructed that by the former we were taught the duty we owed to the Craft in general and by the latter our duty to the particular lodge. No Mason should accept election to the Junior Warden's Chair without realizing that he is now one of his Lodge's delegates

to Grand Lodge, and that to him is entrusted not only lodge responsibilities but responsibilities for the governing of the Craft in Manitoba. Every installed master must realize that he is now a life-member of the Grand Lodge and that his lodge expects him to be present at all the Communications of the Grand Lodge.

Your committee wishes to thank most heartily the District Deputy Grand Masters for the services they have rendered to Grand Lodge during the past year, and in recognition of these services we take pleasure in recommending that the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be conferred upon each of the following:

R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters ..D.D.G.M. First Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. A. Morris .....D.D.G.M. Second Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. S. Hames .....D.D.G.M. Third Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate .....D.D.G.M. Fourth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Wm. Dick .....D.D.G.M. Fifth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. G. Morrison .....D.D.G.M. Sixth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. O. M. McKay .....D.D.G.M. Seventh Masonic District
R.W. Bro. N. R. Pickell .....D.D.G.M. Eighth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. N. W. Bowes .....D.D.G.M. Ninth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. S. Wilson .....D.D.G.M. Tenth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Hugh Mackenzie ....D.D.G.M. Twelfth Masonic District

The following observations and recommendations are based on the District Deputy Grand Masters' reports Form No. 21.

In one of the ancient charges we read "no Master or Warden is chosen by seniority, but for his merit." Bearing this in mind the answer to the question "Can the Worshpful Master open and close the Lodge?" should be in the affirmative, as should also the answer to "Can the Worshipful Master confer the three degrees in full?" because the master must have been chosen for his merit. If this is not the case in all of our lodges at this time, we should do well to consider that men are not made Masons because they are "jolly good fellows", but because they believe in God and in Brotherhood and in the erection of a Temple of Character, just in the same way men are not raised to the highest office in a lodge because of popularity, but because of a desire to perfect the work of the lodge and to bring forth the fruits of the spirit in all the members. To have a report then that the master makes a poor attempt at opening and closing the lodge and that he cannot confer any degrees makes us think that the District Deputy Grand Master was right in administering a severe admonition, and we are glad to say that the work is much better in that lodge now. To report that the master can partly confer the degrees but that he has no occasion to try, is without excuse. Every master has occasion to put on the degrees if he elects to do so. In some lodges where there have been no candidates, degrees have been exemplified for the District Deputy Grand Master. Your committee

recommends that the Grand Master request the District Deputy Grand Master to ask the masters of lodges where no degree work has taken place in the past year to confer a degree using their own officers when he makes his official visitation.

To state that the past masters of a lodge are not giving the support they should is to recount a most unfortunate state of affairs, but to go further and suggest that if new candidates came along they probably would, is adding insult to injury. The past masters should be the bulwarks of the Craft; many of them were wardens and masters when the lodge was young.—They worked and sacrificed that Freemasonry might become a vital force in the community. They were respected, and rightly so, because of their proficiency and their brotherly love. Sometimes, however, they drift away because they are not used—past masters' nights are not continued and a younger element reigns where once they did. Two truths must be pointed out here,—young Masons should never forget the debt they owe to their proficient and lovable older brethren, older Masons should not lose sight of the fact that, while they may disagree with much that is done by the younger generation, there was a time when as younger men they were daring souls. But let young and old alike take notice that new membership in Freemasonry is only possible when an impression is left upon a community that of all desirable things within it, to be a Free Mason is one of the best. Never let any lodge say "if new candidates came along we would be more interested." Let every lodge and every member look into a mirror, and say, "Why aren't the young men of this district joining?" Granted that we have passed through desperate times—the most desirable things are still coveted by all best citizens.

Because of the unfortunate financial conditions in this Province two lodges, Waskada and Deloraine, were amalgamated at the last meeting of Grand Lodge. At this Communication we shall be asked to concur in the amalgamation of Concord and Shiloh lodges. Your committee feels that, under the circumstances, these amalgamations have been warranted and we pray for good success upon these ventures.

The District Deputy Grand Masters have all stressed the value of Lodge Visitations, and it is very gratifying to know of the interest taken in many of the city lodges in visiting their rural brethren and the joy that accompanies the country lodge's return of that visit to the city. This is one great method of spreading the fellowship of Freemasonry, and your committee recommends that the District Deputy Grand Masters of the First and Twelfth Districts continue to impress upon the lodges in their districts the amount of good that visits do especially when a weaker lodge in the country is on the reception end.

The question of auditors has been raised this year and your committee wishes to make it clear that when ordinary members of a lodge are appointed to carry out this duty it is understood that all cash books, bank books, etc., are to be checked, and not simply a checking of the secretary's statement.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. R. CALVERT,
Chairman of Committee on Condition of Freemasonry.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Rev. George R. Calvert (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. Wm. McLellan (114), the report of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE AND APPEALS

June A.D. 1939

To the M.W. The Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

M.W.Sir and Brethren:—

The Board of General Purposes, through its Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals is happy to report that under the new Constitution of Grand Lodge, adopted at the last annual Communication, no questions have arisen and no duties have devolved upon this Committee.

This Committee once more offers its felicitations and congratulations to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and to the officers and members of Grand Lodge, and commends to the consideration of the Brethren the fine spirit of service and co-operation which has been evident throughout the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction during the year which has passed.

Fraternally submitted,

B. C. PARKER,
Chairman, Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), the report of the Jurisprudence and Appeals Committee was received and adopted.

The hour for hearing from our Distinguished Guests having arrived, the Most Worshipful the Grand Master called on them as follows:—

M.W. Bro. Archibald West, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, the first Grand Master of that Grand Lodge to attend our Grand Lodge Communication since the Grand Lodge of Alberta was formed, as, in previous years the two Grand Lodges convened on the same date. M.W. Bro. M. M. Downey, P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

R.W. Bro. Harry Gill, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

M.W. Bro. Ralph W. Stanford, P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

M.W. Bro. Hon. Gunnar H. Nordbye, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

M.W. Bro. Wm. J. Dunlop, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, (in Ontario).

Each of these Distinguished Guests brought a message of goodwill and fraternal Greetings from their respective Grand Jurisdictions, which were greatly appreciated.

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master thanked our guests for their gracious words of Greeting.

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to refreshment by the M.W. Grand Master at 11:50 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

LUNCHEON

Luncheon was tendered the delegates and Grand Lodge visitors at the Royal Alexandra Hotel, by the Masons of the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts under the auspices of the Winnipeg Past Masters' Association at 12:30 noon Thursday, June 8th. V.W. Bro. Alf Phillips (130), President of the Past Masters' Association presiding.

Miss Olga Irwin gave several delightful solos.

The Chairman in well chosen remarks called on the Guest Speaker, M.W. Bro. Hon. Gunnar H. Nordbye, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota to address the Brethren.

ADDRESS DELIVERED BY M.W. BRO. HON. GUNNAR H. NORDBYE

It is with pleasure that I return to Winnipeg to participate in the Sixty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. The visitations between the Grand Lodges of Minnesota and Manitoba have been most enjoyable occasions and will do much to cement the fraternal relations between these two Grand Jurisdictions. This noon hour, I want to plan a short time with you in discussing some of the mutual problems which I think confront the Masons of Minnesota as well as Manitoba. I trust, however, that I will not be considered presumptuous in discussing in a most general way forces that threaten, not only the institution of Masonry, but the democracies in which we live. My country may be more vulnerable than yours to the sinister groups who are seeking to undermine and destroy all that we have builded these many years. However, in some measure and to some degree, at least, I am assuming that our problems are similar.

Canada and the United States have many things in common. Geographically, we both have the Atlantic to the East and the

Pacific to the West. We have the industrial East; the large Middlewest, principally devoted to agriculture; and the scenic far West, with its moderate climate due to the beneficent Japan current. We speak the same language and read the same papers and periodicals. You listen to our radio programmes and we listen to yours. You see the movies produced in Hollywood. Some of them redound to our credit; others grossly distort American life and ideals, and are anything but complimentary to American culture. But more important in the perpetuation of good will and understanding between the two countries, and which gives rise to mutual problems, is the common heritage that we enjoy in tradition and history, culture and ideals, which we obtained from Mother England. We are the citizens of the two great English speaking democracies in the New World. We both have the same Mother. The larger brother to the South has been growing very fast. At times he may have seemed to be somewhat egotistical and flippant, and in his rapid growth has overlooked some of the spiritual values that always characterize the gentleman. Often he has had to bow his head in shame when he contemplates the superior citizenship and culture which have been exemplified by his brother to the North.

These trying days in the United States, however, have, I believe made us more sensible of our own shortcomings and the realization that mere bigness or material wealth will not insure the permanence of the American democracy. We see as never before that if America is to go forward, it must produce men and women of character, righteousness, and courage; men and women who are imbued with the ideals of service for others, not self. There is more humbleness in our people, which augers more attention to the foundations upon which we are assuming to build our country. We believe that the people appreciate that if the nation is to survive, it must accept as a leader the Supreme Architect of the Universe, and not Mammon.

But not only have we a common heritage as children of the same Mother, but the great institution of Masonry, which happily remains unhampered in our countries by the edicts or decrees of the dictator, has been handed down to us by the same Mother Lodge, and the light of this great Fraternity in both countries is still shining brightly, undimmed by the passage of the years.

As Masons, we have been taught to eschew political discussion in our Lodges. Any subject foreign to the great purposes of Masonry which will breed disharmony and dissension, or misunderstanding, should be avoided. The years the Masonic Order has continued to grow in strength and vigor and to extend its influence throughout the entire civilized world is in no small measure due to the devotion that its votaries have had to the great truth and principles inculcated in the beautiful and inspiring

ritual and symbolism. In the Minnesota ritual, and I assume that your ritual has a similar admonition, we are instructed that we should not countenance disloyalty or rebellion, but patiently submit to legal authority and conform with cheerfulness to the Government of the country in which we live. Surely, that was, and is, sound and timely advice. Some continental Masonic Lodges have in some instances forgotten this instruction, and by reason thereof some of the foreign lodges have attained a distinct political flavor, and the idealism of the Fraternity has been lost. We should recognize that the primary and underlying theory which motivated the founders of Masonry was to establish a Fraternity wherein men would apply to their daily lives the great ever-lasting, never-changing truths of life, so that its votaries would become better men.

To build,—not great cathedrals as the operative Masons of old—but to build character; to build that house not made with human hands, eternal in the heavens. Once we forget that this is the mission of our Fraternity, and when it comes to pass that Masons do not stand out among their fellows as men good and true, then our Fraternity will surely meet with the decay that befalls all mortal things in this world. It is the adherence to the idealism of Masonry that is the secret of its existence and long life. It is the love for the truths of Masonry and a practical application thereof in our daily lives that is immortal, and will never, never die.

But, my brothers, in these times when the world is so troubled, and democracy seems to be hesitating at the crossroads, we would indeed be unworthy Masons if we did not face the situation fairly and candidly, and do our share to direct the courses of our countries so that democracy may be saved. Certainly, we must not be silent and inarticulate when democracy stands at the cross-roads and the taking of the wrong road may lead to despotism and the end of a free people. The failure of Masons as citizens to take part in the battle for the preservation of democracy would stigmatize us as being unworthy of being members of this great and ancient Fraternity. Masonry and democracy go hand in hand, yea, the very stones on which the Masonic superstructure is erected represent the same basic principles of liberty, fraternity and justice, which are the corner-stones of our democracies. Where is Masonic strength? Where does it flourish? Not in the autocracies or dictatorship countries of the world, but in the democracies. When democracies go down before the ruthless heel of the dictator, Masonry, the child of democracy, will also sink into oblivion. Masonry cannot survive in any other soil.

Stalin of Russia, Hitler of Germany, and Mussolini of Italy, are all foreign to Masonic principles, and Masonry apparently is

repugnant to them. One gathers that the devotion of Masons to Liberty, freedom, and equality, is too dangerous for the security of the dictator. In Germany and Italy, a fetish has been made of nationalism. Their dictators are even now threatening to throw Europe into a war which may blot out civilization itself. Democracy, which was assumed to represent the greatest advancement of man in self-government, is now threatened by the schools of Communism and state Socialism. Hitler, Stalin and Mussolini, as representatives of these schools of thought, laugh at and deride the democracies. They openly state that the world cannot contain both. "It is either we or they," according to their edicts. It is difficult for us to appreciate that the democratic scheme of government should be threatened in this manner. It was not many years ago that the democracies were assumed to be the ultimate in human advancement in self-government. No one believed that there would be this tremendous social and political upheaval in the world during our generation. But during the aftermath of the Great War, we have seen empires fall, wars of oppression against smaller nations, dictatorships abolishing democracies, and in many nations, the inherited liberties of a free people entirely obliterated. The words of Goethe are ominous. "Mankind advances, but man remains the same."

We have those in our land, as well as in Canada, who are sowing the seeds of class hatred, dissension and discontent, apparently preparing for the day when our democracies may be ripe for a coup d'etate. The depression that has put its blight on the world has furnished a fertile field for their schemes and dreams. There are many demagogues who are stating that democracy has failed, and that a new scheme of government must be evolved in order to cope with the numerous problems that are now confronting the people. We are over-run with those who are preaching some cracked-brain panaceas for our economic ills. We are led to believe that by some law or government edict, we can, as if by the wave of a magician's wand, banish all our economic problems of supply and demand, finance, human greed and avarice, and transform our nations into modern Utopias. Personal initiative, industry, frugality and thrift are no longer the criterions, according to their teachings, for individual and national success. They are preaching that the government owes everyone a living, and that some sort of collectivism is the hope for our people. There are others who, perhaps not so blatantly, deem it necessary to extoll the experiments of Hitler and Mussolini, and are trying to convince our people that, because our democracy may at times be inefficient and cumbersome, a strong central government is our only hope.

Now, there is not much difference in my opinion between the man of the extreme left and the man of the extreme right. Either view leads to an absolute government to enforce his particular

brand of Utopia. To a liberty-loving person, there is no difference between the collectivism of Stalin and the fascism of Hitler or Mussolini. Certainly, a dictatorship of the proletariat is just as obnoxious to a lover of freedom as a dictatorship of the nationalists. In the States, we hear much talk about liberalism, and anyone who adopts the label of "progressive" or "liberal" would have the public believe that he is especially appointed as the one to lead us out of the wilderness.

I have great respect for the true liberal; the man who earnestly endeavors to solve our economic and political problems in an unselfish, progressive and humanitarian manner. America and Canada will ever be indebted to the great leaders who blazed the way for greater economic and political rights for the average man. We, of course, must recognize that our experiments in democracy have not reached perfection; that we must go forward; that we cannot remain stagnant. But, on the other hand, with liberalism there must be intelligence, foresight and self-sacrifice.

It has always been somewhat difficult for me to understand that it was true liberalism to condone or wink at the purges, starvation, and cruelty in Russia, for instance, or the persecution and intolerance that we have seen in Germany and Italy. It is strange that so many so-called liberals, who claim to have been oppressed by the ruthless domination of the majority, become even more intolerant and bigotted when they obtain power than those that they have supplanted. Certainly, we in Canada and America are not anxious to have as our model of government the philosophy which justifies the extermination of one's critics before the firing squad, destroys churches, denies the accused a fair trial, muzzles the press, and imprisons anyone who has the temerity to find fault with the actions of the leaders.

And, my brothers, mob violence, law violations, brutality and banditry in the name of Labor, are not to be condoned as part of the march of liberalism any more than if such excesses are committed by any other group. Woe to our democracies if any invisible government obtains the control of the reins and are permitted to judge for themselves what laws they will obey and what laws they will disobey with impunity.

It may be that we have left the day of rugged individualism for good, and far be it from me to decry that fact if it means better times and conditions for the average man and a more prosperous and stable nation. But, if we are going to the left,—if that is inevitable, let us proceed with intelligence and reasonable caution. Let us not lose faith in the basic principles of our democracy. Let us go forward rather than backward. Certainly, our attitude should be one of optimism. We must recognize that defeatism never won the battle. It was Emerson who said that "all great

ages were ages of faith." Let us retain our trust in the basic soundness of our democratic forms of government. We want liberal countries, but liberalism must have sanity and intelligence in framing its programmes, and it is idle to contend that men who advocate cracked-brain schemes or violent revolutionary methods are liberals. They are destructionists, not liberals.

Undoubtedly, one of the problems of democracy is to maintain stability in government and business so that the economic condition of the country affords an opportunity for the average man to support himself and family. It is not strange that there are many who will listen to the wild schemes of the demagogue when they have walked the streets in vain in search of honest employment. But the mere fact that we have gone through hard times and that the economic upheaval has interfered with the orderly return to normalcy, does not mean that we should lose our faith in our democratic institutions. Democracy is not at fault because we ourselves have been living beyond our means, have speculated during the boom days after the War, and are now paying the penalty. We recognize that changes must come about so as to make conditions better for the average man, but we want neither Communism nor Fascism. Certainly, the experience in Europe would not justify any change in that direction by the democracies of the world. True, they may be more efficient and they may paint a picture of prosperity by reason of the smaller number of men wanting employment, but when we consider the thousands and thousands in concentration camps, in the Army, and generally engaged in preparation for War, we can understand that their claimed prosperity must be substantially discounted. In any event, we are certain that we do not care to obtain that type of prosperity and lose our liberty and freedom as citizens of a democracy.

But we should not become despondent over the challenge that is made by the totalitarian states. Let them proceed if they desire in their experiments. We are satisfied to retain our democracies. It is not for us to say what kind of government Russia should have, or whether Hitler or Mussolini should be abolished by their respective nations. That is their problem. If the people are happy under these forms of government and desire to retain them, far be it for us to interfere with their choice. But we do deny the right of these nations to dictate by force the affairs of the civilized world and our philosophy of government. While the situation in Europe at this time may appear dark and full of despair, it might be well to consider the sayings of Charles Beard, the eminent historian, who was asked to sum up the teachings of history in as brief a manner as he could. At first he stated that it would take him an hour, and then upon reflection he concluded he could recite all the teachings of history in half an hour, but

finally after still further reflection, he stated to his questioner that he could do it in half a minute. He wrote the following:

"Whom the Gods would destroy, they first make mad."
"The mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceeding small."
"The bee always fertilizes the flower it robs."
"When it is dark enough we can see the stars."

No, my brothers, let us not beguile ourselves into changing our democracies even though we are trudging along with handicaps. Let us rather recognize that the greatest faults of our democracies can be laid at the door of an indifferent and apathetic citizenry. The greatest enemy of Communism or Fascism is education, and with an enlightened citizenry, the false Utopia of these two schemes of government will disappear as mist before the morning sun.

But do not our countries have a right to ask the Masons for their unstinted support in a crucial time such as this? If we stand idly by, if we lack the courage to support actively the democratic principles to which our governments are dedicated, the time will come when Masons will no longer be permitted to meet and congregate as we do now. If we do not give unstintingly of ourselves in supporting our democracies, we are untrue to our Fraternity as well as to our countries. The beacon-light of Freemasonry in the hands of courageous and valiant brothers will materially assist in lighting the way. Let us rededicate ourselves to the service of our countries in upholding the great principles of freedom, justice and equality.

This is a historic day for our countries. Today for the first time in history, the King of England and the President of the United States meet on American soil. God grant that this occasion will forever seal the friendship and insure complete understanding and unity of purpose between these two great English speaking democracies. May America and the British Empire ever stand together in a united front against those who are seeking to supplant the idealism of our democracies with the ideology of the despot.

W. Bro. A. E Longstaffe (151), on behalf of the Brethren present, moved a vote of thanks and appreciation to M.W. Bro. Hon. Gunnar H. Nordbye for his delightful and timely message, which was unanimously accepted.

M.W. Bro. George Hunter (40), on behalf of the delegates from outside points, moved a vote of thanks to the brethren

of the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts and the Past Masters' Association of Winnipeg, for the Luncheon, Entertainment and M.W. Bro. Nordbye's Address.

Second Day
Afternoon Session

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to Labor at 2:45 p.m. by Most Worshipful Bro. Robert Hawkins, Grand Master.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Investments, begs to report as follows:

The condition of the investments of Grand Lodge again show a slight improvement over the previous year.

We are again forced to report that the situation in connection with the bonds of the Province of Alberta is the same as it was last year, no interest having been paid on these bonds nor is there immediate prospect of any change for the better.

The mortgage investments of Grand Lodge show a slight increase. Our Mortgage Loans, unpaid interest, unpaid taxes,

insurance and legal fees, amounts to $20,588.37 as against $20,267.62 for the previous year.

Our real estate investments show a slight decrease for the period under review, being listed at $36,194.35 as against $36,731.84 for the previous year.

The bonds owned by Grand Lodge, which are listed in the Auditors' Statement, amount to $222,500.00 for this period as against $210,000.00 for the previous period. This difference of $12,500 is made of $5,000.00 of Greater Winnipeg Water District Bonds at 5% purchased in October, 1938 and $1,000.00 Greater Winnipeg Water District bonds at 6% also purchased in October, 1938, and $4.500.00 of Province of Manitoba 5½% bonds purchased in February, 1939. The remaining $2,000.00 of this increase is accounted for by the exchange of $15,000.00 of Greater Winnipeg Water District bonds for $17,000.00 of Province of Manitoba bonds in February, 1939. This exchange in bonds also increases our yearly income to the extent of $95.00.

During the year under review the sum of $11,097.69 has been credited to the Beneficiary Fund, being the income received from interest on bonds and mortgages.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. BOYD,
Chairman.

On motion of M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd (140), seconded by R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3), the report of the Committee on Investments was received and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:—

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Benevolence begs to submit the following report:

When your Committee took office at the commencement of the Masonic year, there were 47 beneficiaries receiving assistance from the fund. During the year 11 new cases were added, and 12 cases were closed, owing in some cases to death, and in others, for the reason that the beneficiaries concerned through change of circumstances did not require any further assistance from the fund.

The total number receiving assistance when the Masonic year closed on March 31st, last, was 46.

Your Committee would again commend the action of those Lodges in the jurisdiction whose financial standing during the past year enabled them to take care of cases which would otherwise have had to be referred to your Committee for assistance.

The attention of Masters and Secretaries of all Lodges is drawn to Section 11 (b) Sub-sections 1, 2 and 3, of the Constitution, and the co-operation of these Officers is earnestly desired, in order that the provisions therein contained may be complied with.

With reference to Sub-section 1, your Committee would again urge that a thorough investigation be made into the financial circumstances of every applicant for assistance, and a detailed history of the case forwarded with the application. There have been occasions when it has been necessary to return applications to the Lodges concerned, owing to the information as to the family income, and other necessary particulars, being insufficient for our purpose.

During the past year an appeal was made to the various Lodges in the jurisdiction, at the District Meetings, on behalf of the Benevolent Fund, Supplementary to this, a further appeal was sent to each Lodge during the month of November last, by the Most Worshipful The Grand Master.

Your Committee would again commend the action of those responses to these appeals, more especially as donations were received from several of the Lodges in the jurisdiction whose financial resources are only small.

A list of Lodges subscribing, showing the amount received from each, is given below:

Lebanon, Lodge Number 43	$ 10.00
Miniota, Lodge Number 102	10.00
Glenboro, Lodge Number 48	15.00
Hiram, Lodge Number 94	25.00
Beaver, Lodge Number 139	25.00
Foxwarren, Lodge Number 152	5.00
Brandon, Lodge Number 19	24.00

Gladstone, Lodge Number 11	10.00
Kilwinning, Lodge Number 110	15.80
St. John's, Lodge Number 4	110.00
Carberry, Lodge Number 29	10.00
The Pas, Lodge Number 124	40.00
Patricia, Lodge Number 125	10.00
Manitou, Lodge Number 30	10.00
Tweed, Lodge Number 113	25.00
Roblin, Lodge Number 122	10.00
Belmont, Lodge Number 13	25.00
Strathclair, Lodge Number 106	10.00
Rivers, Lodge Number 115	2.00
St. Andrews, Lodge Number 116	10.00
Reston, Lodge Number 104	50.00
Robbie Burns, Lodge Number 100	5.00
Pine Falls, Lodge Number 154	10.00
Flin Flon, Lodge Number 153	25.00
Composite, Lodge Number 64	10.00
Vermillion, Lodge Number 68	50.00
Wawanesa, Lodge Number 67	15.00
Hamiota, Lodge Number 84	20.00
Ancient Landmark, Lodge Number 3	300.00
Temple, Lodge Number 49	23.97
	$910.77

A survey of this list would suggest to our stronger Lodges the desirability of those in fortunate circumstances coming to the aid of the Lodges less fortunately circumstanced.

The receipt of balances in the hands of Treasurers of the former Tenth and Eleventh Masonic Districts, amounting to $2.25, and $57.72 respectively, and individual donations from six Brethren of the jurisdiction, amounting to $24.00, are also gratefully acknowledged, and have been credited to the fund.

It has been very truly said, that any man, no matter how frugal and industrious he may be, through sudden misfortune, or other conditions over which he has no control, may at some time be in temporary need of a helping hand.

To extend assistance to our Brother Craftsmen is not what is generally described as charity, but is one of the natural and inevitable acts of Brotherhood.

Any conception of Brotherhood must include this willingness to give necessary aid.

Fraternally submitted,

HARRY WOODS,
Chairman.

On motion of M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), seconded by M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd (140), the report of the Committee on Benevolence was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

Once again your Committee on Correspondence submits its Annual Review of the Proceedings of the other Grand Lodges which have been received during the year.

In writing the reviews we have been tempted to include many things that we have had to omit because of the lack of space. It has been our desire and endeavor to point out such things as we thought would be beneficial to the Brethren of our Jurisdiction and we therefore submit to you this review and ask that it be published in our Proceedings.

We trust the Brethren of Manitoba will find the Reviews of Sister Grand Lodges of much interest and benefit.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

HUGH M. KERR,
Chairman.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr (113), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), the report of the Committee on Correspondence was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Masonic Research and Education, through the Board of General Purposes, begs to report as follows:

One of the developments of modern civilization is the skilful use made of Propaganda. We must concede that when this consists of stating clear facts and presenting realities, there can be no serious quarrel with it. But when, as happens so often, it is the presentation of half-truths, of cleverly distorted information, or even of lies, it becomes a dangerous thing in the world. Science has provided us with the means of instant communication with great areas, so that vast numbers can easily be influenced by such propaganda. Thus we are constantly under the pressure of various "ideologies" demanding our allegiance and urging us to hate those of opposite views. Masonry itself is not immune from attack. Even in democratic countries, where it still flourishes, unscrupulous attempts are made to discredit it.

There is only one adequate defence against such propaganda, and that is the truth. When we are certain of the facts, no biased and unfair statements can influence us. We, in Masonry do not attempt to refute publicity any mistatements about our Craft. We prefer to allow our actions as members of the Order to speak for us. Yet, if we are to maintain our loyalty to Masonic tradition, we must base it on more than sentiment. We must be able to satisfy ourselves as to the reasonableness of our faith. Through actual knowledge of what Masonry is, and how it has evolved, we shall not be disturbed by any doubts that may be expressed about its usefulness.

Thus, Masonic Education becomes of the utmost importance, for a knowledge of the history and principles of the Craft is the only sure foundation on which to build the loyalty of its members. We are too much inclined to allow the easy sentimentality of our Masonic associations to satisfy us, and do not take the trouble to work out for ourselves the solid realities of Masonic teaching that remain steadfast amid passing conditions.

The Research and Education Committee realized that in many Lodges there is little interest in formal Masonic study, or there is little opportunity for the brethren to gather for the purpose of study. A fair number of Lodges have Study Clubs, and these are doing excellent work. In the city, where the Masonic Library is available, and members have the opportunity to meet conveniently, it is easier to conduct regular Study Clubs. In other parts of the Province, under more difficult circumstances, some Lodges are carrying on Masonic study most effectively. There are, however, many Lodges, particularly in the smaller towns, where conditions do not make it possible to organize study Clubs. In

some of these, for various reasons, leaders are not available to take charge of the work. In other Lodges, the membership is so scattered that any meetings outside of the regular Lodge nights are impossible. It was with this large group of Lodges in mind particularly that the Committee arranged the programme for this year, and at the same time provided material that could be used by any Study Group.

At the beginning of the year the prepared material was sent to all Lodges. This included a series of topics on Masonic subjects with suggested outlines as a basis for presentation, and also a list of questions and answers grouped under the general headings History, Ritual, and Constitution. It was suggested that a short while could be taken at regular Lodge meetings for discussions on the topics suggested, or the questions might be used either for discussion, or according to the method of the popular "quiz" programme. It was hoped that by means of these questions and answers, the ordinary member, who had not made a definite study of Masonry, might be encouraged to give some thought to the meaning of various aspects of the Craft, and at the same time gain some idea of the need for understanding better the familiar things of our Ritual and Constitution.

In order to find if this material was meeting the needs of the Lodges, V.Wor. Bro. Syme, Secretary of the Committee, sent out 104 letters inquiring if it had been used, and with what results. Sixty-three replies were received, and it was found that thirty-three, or over half of the Lodges replying, had used the questions and had found them most interesting. About fifteen of the remaining Lodges planned to use the questions beginning in the Fall. A number of the Lodges asked for a further series.

It would seem from the comments made that to some extent the material met the needs of the ordinary Lodge member, and has enabled him to take his part in general discussions without the necessity of preparing a set paper.

The Committee also forwarded to each Lodge a copy of M. Wor. Bro. Hawkins' address given at the meeting of the First Masonic District, suggesting that it be read in Lodge. Arrangements were made by many Lodges to have this done at a regular meeting.

The Committee feels that some effort should be made to give better training to the newly Initiated candidate. It was noticed in the replies to our inquiry that a large number of the Lodges have been too busy with Degree Work to give any time to Masonic Study. It is right, of course, that Degree Work should be put on effectively. At the same time, if the brethren, and especially the Initiates are not given a proper interpretation of the teachings of

the Ritual, and the significance of its symbolism, such Degree Work has lost much of its value beyond serving as a door through which the applicant enters the Lodge. The Committee hopes that some course of training can be evolved that would assure to the candidate a sound knowledge of the teachings of each Degree before he proceeds with the next. Thus from the moment the Initiate enters the Lodge he would begin to realize the value of the things he has heard and to know their meaning.

The report of the Grand Librarian is included with this report. The Committee commends heartily the service rendered to the Craft by Rt. Wor. Bro. C. E. Somerset.

V. Bro. G. Syme, Assistant Librarian, and Secretary to the Committee has been most helpful. Without his generous assistance the work of the Committee would be much hampered.

We are grateful also for the help of the Associate members, Rt. Wor. Bro. S. Burland and V. Wor. Bro. S. C. Taylor, their experience and knowledge of Masonry were most useful.

Fraternally submitted,

H. B. DONNELLY,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE GRAND LODGE LIBRARIAN

To R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly,
Chairman, Masonic Research and Educational Committee.

Dear Sir and R.W. Brother:—

Below find Report of the Grand Lodge Librarian for the year ending May 10th, 1939.

I am pleased to report that the interest in the Library has not grown cold during the year, although there has been a slight decrease in the circulation of books for the year—this is accounted for largely because we did not issue any Masonic Study Pamphlets. The Country and City Lodges had been supplied in 1938. We did, however, issue a Questionaire and also the Address given by the Grand Master at the First Masonic District—these have been found to be of great value.

The Books circulated from May 15th, 1938, to May 10th, 1939, will be found herewith:

BOOKS CIRCULATED FROM MAY 15TH, 1938, TO MAY 10TH 1939, SHOWING COMPARISON TO PREVIOUS YEAR

	Total 1938	Total 1939	Dec.	Inc.
00—Encyclopaedias—Reference Works .	2	11	—	9
02—Societies—Transactions	—	1	—	1
10—History and Philosophy	85	105	—	20
11—Philosophy and Symbolism	123	119	4	—
12—Church and State	2	4	—	2
14—Rites, Degrees, and Manuals	70	69	1	—
16—Biography, General and Collective .	—	3	—	3
17—History, Geographical Divisions...	13	26	—	13
19—Antimasonry—General Works	5	3	2	—
20—Customs, Paraphernalia, Ceremonies, etc.	4	4	—	—
22—Jewels, Medals, Badges, and Seals ..	1	—	1	—
30—Jurisprudence and General Works ..	10	4	6	—
31—Constitutions, Ahiman Rezons, Old Charges	1	—	1	—
50—Art and Architecture	4	6	—	2
52—Architecture	13	6	7	—
60—General Works	1	2	—	1
61—Addresses, Lectures—General	24	25	—	1
63—Poetry and Drama	11	—	11	—
65—Music	—	1	—	1
66—Novels and Tales	31	19	12	—
80—Woman in Masonry—General Works	1	2	—	1
90—General Works	2	—	2	—
Proceedings	16	34	—	18
Magazines	34	32	2	—
Miscellaneous—Not Masonry	57	42	15	—
Essays	24	16	8	—
Short Talk Bulletins	6	3	3	—
Clippings from Magazines	87	56	31	—
Masonic Study Pamphlets	395	—	395	—
Questionaire	—	104	—	104
Address given by Grand Master at First Masonic D	—	104	—	104
	1,022	801	501	208

Total Decrease.....221

The clippings from magazines stored in our filing cabinet are of

great use to members of the Craft who are preparing papers to be read in their Lodges.

During the year the following books have been donated to the Library and we tender our sincere thanks to the doners:

Solomon's Temple, its History and its Structure;

Origin and Evolution of Freemasonry;

The Builders;

Symbolical Teaching;

The Meaning of Masonry;

Freemasonry in Manitoba;

A Library of Freemasonry (Five Volumes). All of the above mentioned works, donated by R.W. Bro. Rev. Dr. G. A. Woodside.

The Holy Scriptures (Deuteronomy)—Donated by Brother J. E. Stein, Mount Sinal Lodge No. 143.

History of Freemasonry (Volumes 4, 6 and 7)—Donated by Wor. Bro. J. McRae, Prince Rupert Lodge No. 1.

Under the kindly action by the Librarian in Charge, V. Wor. Bro. Geo. Syme, the Library makes many friends—may he long continue to serve the Grand Lodge and the Masonic Brethren.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES E. SOMERSET,
Grand Librarian.

On motion of R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), the report of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education, and the Grand Librarian's report were received and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the M.W. The Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Finance, begs to submit the following report:

The Committee has held meetings at least once each month during the year when all matters under its jurisdiction have been given careful consideration, and all accounts presented by the Grand Secretary have been examined and approved.

We have examined the Auditors' Report on the finances of Grand Lodge as at March 31st, 1939, and believe it to present a true and correct account of the financial standing of Grand Lodge as at that date.

The income for the past year shows a decrease of $110.00 and expenditures an increase of $476.00, as compared with the period ending March 31st, 1938.

The Grand Secretary continues to give close supervision over all expenditures and the office is being conducted as economically as possible, consistent with efficiency. We commend the Grand Secretary for his efforts in this direction and for the courtesy and assistance he has given to your Committee in discharging its duties.

Your Committee has prepared and submits herewith for your consideration and approval an estimate of Income and Expenditure for the year ending March 31st, 1940:

INCOME

Dues	$ 9,500.00
Initiations and M.M. Certificates	800.00
P.M. Certificates	75.00
Life Member Certificates	100.00
Life Member Fees	500.00
Dispensations	50.00
Supplies	300.00
	$ 11,325.00

EXPENDITURES

Salaries	$ 4,100.00
Rent	1,000.00
Postage and Stamp Tax	275.00
Office Stationery and Supplies	250.00
Lodge Supplies	400.00
*Printing new Constitution	1,125.00
Grand Master's Expenses	500.00

Grand Lodge Travelling Expense	300.00	
Insurance	25.00	
Library Maintenance	1,100.00	
General Printing and Proceedings	800.00	
Grand Lodge Expense	300.00	
Audit	150.00	
Grand Master's Regalia and P.G.M. Jewel .	285.00	
Telephones, Telegrams and Exchange	125.00	
Warning Circular and Masonic Relief Association of U.S. and Canada	80.00	
Miscellaneous	650.00	
		$11,465.00

* It will be noted that there is an item of $1,125.00 included in the Expenditure for Printing the Revised Constitution. This item was also provided for in last year's budget. The printing of the Constitution, however, was not completed until after the close of the financial year on March 31st, 1939. The item has, therefore, been included in the current year's estimated Expenses.

Fraternally submitted,

HUGH MacKENZIE,
Chairman.

On Motion of R.W. Bro. Hugh Mackenzie (140), seconded by W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1), the Report of the Committee on Finance was received and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:—

During the past year your Committee has received many evidences of the influence upon our Craft of the political unrest which has been so disturbing a factor in all departments of our lives.

Masonry has always prospered under the beneficient influence

of peace and goodwill. It has fostered brotherhood as a relationship which oversteps all artificial physical boundaries, and when the influence of selfishness and sectional interest and pride disturb this necessary atmosphere of human happiness, the Craft must necessarily feel its disintegrating and demoralizing influence.

During the year, several Grand Lodges with whom we are glad to exchange fraternal greetings through their appointed representative near this Grand Lodge, have been forced to disband, and their absence from our Communication will awaken in all our hearts expressions of sincerest fraternal sympathy for the brethren directly concerned, and an earnest prayer that they may never waiver in their faith in the Divine Omnipotent which in His good time will accomplish His purposes on the earth.

Applications for exchange of Representatives and establishment of fraternal relationships were received from the Grand Lodge Alpina of Switzerland, and the Grand Lodge of Columbia. Our Investigation indicates that the brethren of these bodies comply in every respect with the traditions and practises of the Craft which we uphold and their applications are therefore recommended for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN J. BLACK,
Chairman.

On motion of M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3), seconded by M.W. Bro. George N. Jackson (25), the Report of the Committee on Foreign Relations was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:—

Your Grand Secretary begs leave to submit his report as follows:

The Semi-Annual returns have been received from each of the

Constituent Lodges and the following Statistics show the gains and losses for the year ending December 31st, 1938.

Number of Lodges at December 31st, 1937	105	
Waskada Lodge No. 149 amalgamated with Deloraine Lodge No. 40	1	
No. of Lodges on the Register	104	
Manitouwapa Lodge U.D.	1	
Membership of Lodges at December 31st, 1937		10,658
Less Waskada Lodge No. 149, amalgamated with Deloraine Lodge No. 40		20
		10,638
Initiated during the year 1938	207	
Affiliated during the year 1938	115	
Reinstated during the year 1938	56	
		378
		11,016
Suspended N.P.D. during the year 1938	265	
Demitted during the year 1938	181	
Called through death	157	
		603
Membership at December 31st, 1938		10,413
Net Loss for the year	225	

The number initiated during the year was 207, being the largest since 1932. This is an encouraging sign, and shows that the work of our Lodges is on the increase. Reinstatements and Suspensions are still disappointing, but we hope that with a special effort on the part of the Lodges, the reinstatements may at least equal the Suspensions, so that our net losses will soon disappear.

Out of the 104 Constituent Lodges:

34 show an increase in membership for 1938.

13 remain with a stationary membership.

57 show a decrease in membership.

The number of Suspensions during the year was the largest in the last five years; the Demits 24 more than last year, and we regret to report our loss through death the greatest in our history.

The following table is submitted to show the changes in our membership for the past five years:

	Suspensions	Demits	Deaths	Net Loss
Membership in 1934..11,342	275	228	145	357
Membership in 1935..11,066	248	189	143	276
Membership in 1936..10,854	204	159	140	209
Membership in 1937..10,658	229	157	140	196
Membership in 1938..10,413	265	181	157	225

Under the authority of the M.W. the Grand Master, the following Dispensations were issued:

Amendments to By-Laws 19

Lodges Nos. 8, 10, 30, 64, 70, 77, 84, 94, 101, 102, 114, 121, 122, 125, 129, 131, 141, 150, 153.

To attend Church Service in Regalia 19

Lodges Nos. 11, 24, 27, 29, 36, 48, 50, 64, 75, 105, 108, 110, 116, 119, 124, 127, 134, 138, 153.

To hold Joint Installations 4

Lodges Nos. 19 and 113; 131 and 151.

To change place of meeting 4

Lodges Nos. 51, 94, 114, 122.

To change the date or hour of Regular Meetings 11

Lodges Nos. 36 (twice), 44, 64, 70, 74, 77, 100, 112, 125, 136.

To confer Degrees within Prescribed time 3

Lodges Nos. 1, 104, 153.

To Elect and Install 14

Lodges Nos. 15, 19, 24, 30, 51, 63, 71, 101, 106, 117, 124 (twice), 132, 153.

Total 74

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Our M.W. Grand Master has been pleased to confirm the nominations of the M.W. Grand Masters of the Grand Jurisdictions concerned, of the following brethren as Grand Representatives of

this Grand Jurisdiction near their Grand Lodges, for whom the regular Commissions were prepared and forwarded:

W. Bro. Paul B. Griffith, Grand Lodge of North Dakota
W. Bro. John Stucke, Grand Lodge Alpina of Switzerland.
R.W. Bro. Carlos Reis Filho, Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo.
W. Bro. Francis H. Grob, Grand Lodge National of Columbia.
W. Bro. K. G. Jorksveld, Grand Lodge of Netherlands.
W. Bro. Edwin W. Seager, Grand Lodge of New York
W. Bro. William H. Maddox, Grand Lodge of Ohio.
W. Bro. Willard A. Hunt, Grand Lodge of Connecticut.
W. Bro. Ray H. Watson, Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.

It was the pleasure of our M.W. Grand Master to recommend for appointment as our Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge National of Columbia, R.W. Bro. T. W. Neelands of Prince Arthur Lodge No. 105.

The Annual Proceedings together with all Official Circulars and Notices were prepared and distributed as required. The new Constitution was compiled, printed, and a copy sent to each Lodge and to members of the Board.

I wish again to express thanks and appreciation to the Grand Jurisdictions and other Masonic Organizations who supply the Grand Secretary's Office with Masonic Publications.

Two of our Sister Grand Lodges mourn the passing of their Grand Secretaries during 1938 in the persons of:

Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harold N. Rust of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M., of Pennsylvania.

Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Edward L. Faucette of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M., of Mississippi.

We regret the passing away of one of our Secretaries in the person of R.W. Bro. John Davis, Secretary of Lebanon Lodge No. 43, who died on April 22nd, 1938, in his Seventy-fifth year, after many years of devoted service to Grand Lodge, his own Lodge and his Community. Our sympathy is extended to his family and his Lodge.

It was a great pleasure to accompany our Most Worshipful Grand Master on his Official Visits during the year, including a splendid series of District Meetings.

To all Grand Lodge Officers, Masters and Secretaries of Constituent Lodges, I tender thanks for their kindness and assistance during the year.

Fraternally submitted,

J. H. G. Russell

Grand Secretary.

On motion of R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrene (25), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), the report of the Grand Secretary was referred to the Committee on Grand Secretary's Report.

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER AND AUDITOR

To The Most Worshipful, The Grand Master,
Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes, through the Grand Treasurer, begs to present for the information of the members of this Grand Lodge, statements, as noted hereunder, covering the financial transactions and standing of the various accounts at the end of the financial year, March 31st, 1939, as prepared by the Auditors:

Balance Sheet—General Fund.

Income and Expenditures—General Fund.

Receipts and Disbursements—General Fund.

Accounts Receivable—General Fund.

Balance Sheet—Benevolent Endowment Fund and Beneficiary Fund.

Income and Expenditure—Benevolent Endowment and Beneficiary Fund.

Receipts and Disbursements—Benevolent Endowment and Beneficiary Fund.

Disbursements—Beneficiary Fund.

Reports from the "Finance," "Investment" and "Benevolence" Committees, dealing with the accounts under their respective jurisdiction, have already been presented for your consideration. A perusal of these statements and the reports referred to will reveal that the finances are, generally speaking, in a satisfactory condition.

All bonds and securities held by Grand Lodge have been inspected by your Auditors and found to be in order.

Fraternally submitted,

ALEX. BURGESS,
Grand Treasurer.

To the Most Worshipful The Grand Master,
Officers and Members, Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., Winnipeg, Manitoba.

We desire to report that we have audited the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer of The Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31st, 1939, and in connection submit the following Financial Statements.

General Fund:

Exhibit "A". Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "B". Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Exhibit "C". Statement of Surplus Account.
Exhibit "D". Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.
Schedule "1". Details of Cash Receipts.
Schedule "2". Accounts Receivable.
Schedule "3". Details of Miscellaneous Expenditure.

Benevolent Endowment Fund and Beneficiary Fund:

Exhibit "E". Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "F". Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Exhibit "G". Statement of Surplus Account.
Exhibit "H". Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.
Schedule "4". Details of Cash Receipts.
Schedule "5". Mortgage Loans, Interest, Taxes and Insurance, etc., Receivable Benevolent Endowment Fund.
Schedule "6". Statement of Beneficiary Fund.

Cash in Bank:

The balances at Bank were confirmed by certificates obtained by us direct from the Bank.

Investments:

The securities representing these investments were inspected by us and found in order.
All Bonds and Debentures are fully registered in the name of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.
The Interest due on the Province of Alberta Debentures is in default three years.

Yours truly,

ADAM ARMSTRONG & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

Exhibit "A"

BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL FUND
As at March 31st, 1939.

ASSETS

Current:		
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce	$ 5,531.44	
Cash in Hand (Petty)	25.00	
Accounts Receivable (See Schedule "2")	1,244.45	
		$ 6,800.89
Inventories:		
Supplies and Stock	$ 3,065.00	
Valued at		1.00
Equipment:		
Furniture & Fixtures	$ 1,101.00	
Regalia	850.00	
Library & Fixtures	2,916.61	
	$ 4,867.61	
Valued at		1.00
		$ 6,802.89

BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL FUND
As at March 31st, 1939

LIABILITIES

Surplus (See Exhibit "C")	$ 6,802.89

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31st, 1939, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31st, 1939.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ADAM ARMSTRONG & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 3rd, 1939.

Exhibit "B"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
(GENERAL FUND)
For the Year ended March 31st, 1939.

INCOME

Dues	$ 9,457.50
Initiations	398.00
M.M. Certificates	365.00
P.M. Certificates	76.00
L.M. Certificates	101.00
L.M. Fees	495.00
Dispensations	50.00
Supplies	282.99
	$11,225.49

EXPENDITURE

Salaries	$ 3,950.00	
Rent	1,000.00	
Postage & Stamp Tax	248.73	
Office Stationery & Supplies	235.98	
Regalia Grand Master	270.00	
Grand Master's Expense 1938	500.00	
Insurance	12.50	
M.M. Certificates	45.90	
Exchange	24.14	
Masonic Research and Educational Fund	36.78	
Library—Maintenance	1,063.60	
Jewel P.G.M.	20.00	
Miscellaneous (See Schedule "3" for Details)	2,753.82	$10,161.45
Net Income for Year (Carried to Statement of General Surplus Account, Exhibit "C")		$ 1,064.04

STATEMENT OF SURPLUS ACCOUNT
(GENERAL FUND)
As at March 31st, 1939

Surplus as at March 31st, 1938	$5,738.85
Add:	
Income for Year (See Exhibit "B")	1,064.04
Surplus as at March 31st, 1939	$6,802.89

Exhibit "D"

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
(GENERAL FUND)
For the Year ended March 31st, 1939.

RECEIPTS

Subordinate Lodges (See Schedule "1")		$12,436.65
Cash Sales (Supplies)		5.40
Exchange		4.15
Total Receipts		$12,446.20
Cash in Bank April 1st, 1938	$ 4,436.95	
Cash in Hand April 1st, 1938	2.60	
		4,439.55
		$16,885.75

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$ 3,950.00	
Expenses & Printing	2,753.82	
Rent	1,000.00	
Library Maintenance	1,057.15	
Supplies (Stock)	668.71	
Grand Master's Expense 1938	500.00	
Postage	255.18	
Stationery & Office Supplies	235.98	
Insurance	12.50	
M.M. Certificates	45.90	
Jewel P.G.M.	20.00	
Regalia Grand Master	270.00	
Trust Fund (Life Members' Fees)	495.00	
Exchange	28.29	
Masonic Research & Educational Fund	36.78	
Total Disbursements		$11,329.31
Cash in Bank March 31st, 1939	$ 5,531.44	
Cash in Hand March 31st, 1939	25.00	
		5,556.44
		$16,885.75

Schedule "1"

DETAILS OF CASH RECEIPTS (GENERAL FUND)
For the Year ended March 31st, 1939

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount
1.	Prince Rupert's	$ 499.25
2.	Lisgar	56.50
3.	Ancient Landmark	453.25
4.	St. John's	821.85
6.	Emerson	106.40
7.	Assiniboine	204.85
8.	King Solomon	51.45
10.	Northern Light	308.65
11.	Gladstone	73.30
12.	Stonewall	124.15
13.	Belmont	99.40
14.	Prince of Wales	110.30
15.	Corinthian	25.50
19.	Brandon	225.55
24.	Neepawa	153.50
25.	Ionic	583.20
27.	Glenwood	164.45
29.	Carberry	122.40
30.	Manitou	64.40
36.	Doric	90.60
39.	Birtle	55.50
40.	Deloraine	96.25
43.	Lebanon	90.10
44.	Oak Lake	29.90
48.	Glenboro	74.80
49.	Temple	89.15
50.	Killarney	81.20
51.	Treherne	49.95
52.	Hartney	80.95
54.	Oriental	52.80
55.	East Star	44.85
62.	Russell	55.70
63.	Holland	81.55
64.	Composite	41.25
67.	Wawanesa	40.90
68.	Vermillion	230.20
70.	Shiloh	61.10
71.	Crystal	53.20
74.	Elkhorn	48.10
75.	Gothic	69.85
77.	Napinka	170.00
82.	Cypress	39.00
84.	Hamiota	75.00
	Forward	$ 6,050.25

Schedule "1" (Contd.)

	Forward	$ 6,050.25
86.	Elgin	66.70
87.	Rathwell	25.05
90.	Midlothian	72.00
92.	Shoal Lake	93.10
93.	King Edward	359.95
94.	Hiram	78.30
100.	Robbie Burns	39.35
101.	Binscarth	58.50
102.	Miniota	85.20
103.	Crescent	48.15
104.	Reston	134.00
105.	Prince Arthur	66.60
106.	Strathclair	58.80
107.	Lansdowne	85.00
108.	Union	36.95
109.	Swan Lake	33.00
110.	Kilwinning	44.50
111.	Acacia	268.55
112.	Ophir	81.80
113.	Tweed	286.50
114.	"The Assiniboine"	385.95
115.	Rivers	38.20
116.	St. Andrews'	49.40
117.	Strathcona	66.30
118.	Mound	58.55
119.	Norwood	187.25
120.	Penza	50.70
121.	St. James	176.65
122.	Roblin	30.10
123.	Transcona	210.20
124.	The Pas	93.45
125.	Patricia	27.65
126.	Favel	38.50
127.	Empire	141.40
128.	Victory	38.35
129.	Shellmouth	30.40
130.	Fort Garry	321.85
131.	Kildonan	121.75
132.	Sprague	41.40
133.	McCreary	39.00
134.	Stony Mountain	74.30
136.	Capitol	190.70
137.	Lord Selkirk	185.20
138.	Windsor	191.00
139.	Beaver	257.60
	Forward	$ 11,118.10

Schedule "1" (Contd.)

	Forward	$ 11,118.10
140.	Meridian	148.00
141.	Tuscan	87.50
142.	Harmony	24.05
143.	Mt. Sinai	233.40
144.	Fort Osborne	121.10
145.	Sturgeon Creek	90.70
146.	Fidelity	121.35
147.	Jubilee	33.50
148.	Seven Oaks	101.60
150.	Cartwright	41.55
151.	The Dormer	62.45
152.	Foxwarren	45.40
153.	Flin Flon	130.70
154.	Pine Falls	46.30
155.	Carman	30.95
		$ 12,436.65

Schedule "2"

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (GENERAL FUND)

As at March 31st, 1939.

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount
1.	Prince Rupert's	$ 5.40
2.	Lisgar	72.55
6.	Emerson	1.00
8.	King Solomon	2.25
11.	Gladstone	4.00
12.	Stonewall	5.40
14.	Prince of Wales	63.50
15.	Corinthian	5.40
19.	Brandon	6.00
24.	Neepawa	1.05
29.	Carberry	.45
36.	Doric	14.90
39.	Birtle	10.50
40.	Deloraine	3.80
43.	Lebanon	.80
52.	Hartney	4.00
62.	Russell	8.00
77.	Napinka	65.15
82.	Cypress	96.40
86.	Elgin	2.00
87.	Rathwell	.25
92.	Shoal Lake	.75
93.	King Edward	5.35
100.	Robbie Burns	3.10
101.	Binscarth	170.50
103.	Crescent	2.60
105.	Prince Arthur	14.90
107.	Lansdowne	5.40
110.	Kilwinning	2.00
111.	Acacia	22.40
114.	"The Assiniboine"	55.00
119.	Norwood	4.65
121.	St. James	81.45
122.	Roblin	1.15
124.	The Pas	8.00
125.	Patricia	2.00
126.	Favel	2.00
133.	McCreary	15.95
136.	Capitol	.80
137.	Lord Selkirk	9.05
138.	Windsor	156.75
140.	Meridian	135.40
	Forward	$ 1,072.00

Schedule "2"—(Contd.)

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (GENERAL FUND)

As at March 31st, 1939—(Contd.)

No.	Name of Lodge		Amount
	Forward		$ 1,072.00
141.	Tuscan		50.90
142.	Harmony		4.00
144.	Fort Osborne		5.40
145.	Sturgeon Creek		14.20
146.	Fidelity		15.00
147.	Jubilee		43.50
151.	The Dormer		4.50
153.	Flin Flon		8.00
155.	Carman		23.95
U.D.	Manitouwapa		6.00
			$ 1,247.45
Credits			
48.	Glenboro	.10	
113.	Tweed	2.00	
129.	Shellmouth	.90	
			3.00
			$ 1,244.45

Schedule "3"

DETAILS OF MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE (GENERAL FUND)

For the Year ended March 31st, 1939.

Travelling Expenses (Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia)	$ 500.00
Grand Lodge Expenses	229.69
Grand Lodge Visitors	126.55
Audit	150.00
Proceedings	619.16
Donation Masonic Island	100.00
Visitors (Old Country)	192.10
Grand Secretary's Travelling Expense	223.88
Masonic Relief Association	53.29
Amendments to Constitution	12.36
Christmas Cards	38.88
Substitute Stenographer	40.00
Safety Deposit Box	15.00
City Directory	21.60
List of Lodges	17.42
Flags	80.00
Telephones & Telegrams	116.75
Typewriter Inspection	8.50
Flowers	16.50
Regalia Case (Grand Treasurer)	20.00
Warning Circulars	42.12
Certificate (Grand Master)	6.29
Repairs	25.00
Miscellaneous	98.73
	$ 2,753.82

Exhibit "E"

BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND
As at March 31st, 1939.

ASSETS

Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce				$ 1,328.66
Investments:				
Mortgage Loans		$ 14,887.33		
Mortgage Interest Unpaid		2,180.98		
Mortgage, Taxes, Insurance & Legal Advanced		3,520.06		
			$ 20,588.37	
	Par Value			
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$100,500.00	$ 92,701.25		
Prov. of Manitoba Debentures Interest Accrued		290.03		
		$ 92,991.28		
Greater Winnipeg Water District Debentures	16,000.00	16,045.00		
Province of Saskatchewan Debentures	21,000.00	21,000.00		
Province of Alberta Debentures	10,000.00	10,000.00		
Province of British Columbia Debentures	15,000.00	14,955.00		
Point Grey Debentures	10,000.00	10,000.00		
Dominion of Canada Bonds	42,000.00	41,595.00		
Canadian National Railway Bonds	8,000.00	8,000.00		
			$214,586.28	
Real Estate:	$222,500.00			$235,174.65
174 Perth Avenue			$ 1,739.69	
191 Ethelbert Street			5,929.56	
1025 Grosvenor Avenue			4,525.17	
926 Jessie Avenue			3,088.09	

299 Waverley Street	11,770.37	
275 Harvard Avenue	9,141.47	
		36,194.35
		$272,697.66

LIABILITIES

Surplus (See Exhibit "G")	$272,697.66
	$272,697.66

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31st, 1939, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31st, 1939.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ADAM ARMSTRONG & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 3rd, 1939.

Exhibit "F"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND

For the Year ended March 31st, 1939

INCOME

Interest—Bonds and Debentures		$ 9,760.12
Interest—Mortgages		1,337.57
Life Members' Fees		495.00
Donations Lodges		749.69
Donation		50.00
		$ 12,392.38

EXPENDITURE

Beneficiary Fund (See Schedule "6")	$ 7,985.81	
Exchange	3.30	
Tax on Bonds	4.50	
		7,993.61
Net Income for Year Carried to Statement of Surplus Account Exhibit "G"		$ 4,398.77

Exhibit "G"

STATEMENT OF SURPLUS ACCOUNT BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND

As at March 31st, 1939

Surplus as at March 31st, 1938	$ 268,298.89
Add:	
Income for Year (See Exhibit "F")	4,398.77
Surplus as at March 31st, 1939	$ 272,697.66

Exhibit "H"

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND

For the Year ended March 31st, 1939.

RECEIPTS

Total Receipts (See Schedule "4")	$60,081.22
Cash in Bank April 1st, 1938	6,881.93
	$66,963.15

DISBURSEMENTS

Bonds Purchased with Accrued Interest		$54,724.25	
Tax on Bonds Purchased		4.50	
Beneficiary Fund		7,985.81	
Mortgage, Loans, Taxes, Insurance, Legal		399.87	
Real Estate, Taxes, Insurance, Repairs and Collection Commissions:			
174 Perth Avenue	$215.60		
191 Ethelbert Street	415.25		
1025 Grosvenor Avenue	392.63		
926 Jessie Avenue	228.07		
299 Waverley Street	708.43		
275 Harvard Avenue	556.78		
		2,516.76	
Exchange		3.30	
Total Disbursements			$65,634.49
Cash in Bank March 31st, 1939			1,328.66
			$66,963.15

Schedule "4"

DETAILS OF CASH RECEIPTS
BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND
BENEFICIARY FUND

For the Year ended March 31st, 1939.

Mortgage Principal:		
Loan No. 30.	$ 200.00	
37.	300.40	
38.	100.00	
40.	10.01	
		$ 610.41
Mortgage Interest:		
Loan No. 2.	$ 70.68	
5.	110.53	
12.	150.00	
30.	69.00	
37.	50.11	
38.	106.50	
40.	159.99	
		716.81
Mortgage Taxes and Insurance, etc.:		
Loan No. 5.		89.47
Rents Received (Property):		
174 Perth Avenue	$ 274.25	
191 Ethelbert Street	480.00	
1025 Grosvenor Avenue	570.00	
926 Jessie Avenue	300.00	
299 Waverley Street	900.00	
275 Harvard Avenue	530.00	
		3,054.25
Bonds Sold with Accrued Interest	$44,755.03	
Interest Bonds & Debentures	9,560.56	
Donations (Lodges)	748.77	
Donation (W.G.)	50.00	
Life Members' Fees	495.00	
Bank Interest	.92	
		55,610.28
		$60,081.22

Schedule "5"

MORTGAGE LOANS, INTEREST, TAXES AND INSURANCE, ETC., RECEIVABLE

BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

As at March 31st, 1939

	Principal	Interest	Taxes, Insurance, Legal, etc.
Loan No. 2.	$ 1,700.00	$ 345.90	$ 44.25
Loan No. 5.	1,400.00	——	111.49
Loan No. 12.	1,700.00	277.15	117.37
Loan No. 25.	2,000.00	154.57	——
Loan No. 30.	1,000.00	——	——
Loan No. 35.	2,500.00	1,403.36	3,246.95
Loan No. 37.	690.00	——	——
Loan No. 38.	1,700.00	——	——
Loan No. 40.	2,197.33	——	——
	$14,887.33	$2,180.98	$3,520.06

Schedule "6"

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND

For the Year ended March 31st, 1939.

No.	Name of Lodge	On Account of	Amount
1.	Prince Rupert	J. E. B.	$ 300.00
1.	Prince Rupert	R. G. D.	70.00
1.	Prince Rupert	Mrs. A. S.	180.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. A. L.	120.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	W. P.	84.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	J. G. H.	250.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. McC.	180.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. D. O. C.	100.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. C. W.	180.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. J. R.	120.00
4.	St. John's	C. R. McL.	120.00
10.	Northern Light	Mrs. E. E. B.	120.00
11.	Gladstone	Mrs. M. C. L.	180.00
12.	Stonewall	Mrs. G. W.	40.00
12.	Stonewall	Mrs. McF.	240.00
14.	Prince of Wales	Miss J. J. F.	10.00
19.	Brandon	Miss O. F.	20.00
19.	Brandon	Mrs. J. G. F.	90.00
24.	Neepawa	Mrs. W. H. G.	15.00
24.	Neepawa	H. A. J. S.	100.00
25.	Ionic	Mrs. A. C.	30.00
25.	Ionic	Mrs. E. E. D.	180.00
25.	Ionic	Mrs. J. L. MacQ.	120.00
27.	Glenwood	H. N.	120.00
27.	Glenwood	J. C.	180.00
30.	Manitou	Mrs. J. J.	120.00
40.	Deloraine	Mrs. E. E. T.	115.00
40.	Deloraine	Mrs. G. B.	300.00
40.	Deloraine	Mrs. G. R. A.	180.00
43.	Lebanon	Mrs. H. W.	240.00
43.	Lebanon	A. M.	180.00
48.	Glenboro	Mrs. C. T.	120.00
49.	Temple	Mrs. C. H.	120.00
51.	Treherne	Mrs. E. C.	90.00
62.	Russell	A. M.	180.00
63.	Holland	Mrs. E. F.	60.61
63.	Holland	Mrs. B. L. S.	180.00
68.	Vermillion	Mrs. M. E. L.	175.00
68.	Vermillion	Mrs. W. H. L.	120.00
68.	Vermillion	P. H.	89.45
84.	Hamiota	Mrs. M. A. W.	50.00
92.	Shoal Lake	Mrs. J. J.	60.00
		Forward	$5,529.06

Schedule "6" (Contd.)

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND (Contd.)

For the Year ended March 31st, 1939.

No.	Name of Lodge	On Account of	Amount
	Forward		$5,529.06
93.	King Edward	H. H. J.	240.00
93.	King Edward	A. H.	20.00
94.	Hiram	Mrs. F. G. H.	100.00
100.	Robbie Burns	W. E. J. B.	60.00
104.	Reston	Mrs. A. McI.	180.00
111.	Acacia	H. H.	30.00
112.	Ophir	Mrs. B. L. T.	300.00
113.	Tweed	Mrs. P. McD.	120.00
114.	"The Assiniboine"	Mrs. A. C.	120.00
119.	Norwood	Mrs. V. H.	120.00
120.	Penza	Mrs. M. M.	100.00
121.	St. James	Mrs. J. MacG.	180.00
127.	Empire	Mrs. H. E. W.	100.00
131.	Kildonan	Mrs. A. P. S.	50.00
134.	Stony Mountain	Mrs. L. B.	25.00
134.	Stony Mountain	Mrs. G. L.	75.00
136.	Capitol	Mrs. E.	300.00
154.	Pine Falls	Mrs. A. G.	72.00
		Miss R. T.	144.00
		Mrs. F. J.	40.00
		M. J. S. S.	50.00
		Mrs. V. A.	25.75
		D. McI.	5.00
			$7,985.81

On motion of R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3), seconded by R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25), the Reports of the Grand Treasurer and Auditor were received and adopted.

Greetings from the Grand Chapter of Manitoba, Order of the Eastern Star. The following letter was received:

Winnipeg, Manitoba,
June 8th, 1939.

Mr. J. H. G. Russell,
Grand Secretary,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.
Winnipeg, Manitoba.
Dear Sir:

The Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba, Order of the Eastern Star in session, desire to extend to the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M. greetings and best wishes for a very profitable Grand Session.

Yours truly,
ETHEL OSTRANDER,
Grand Secretary.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master expressed the thanks of the brethren for this message of kind greetings and good wishes, and asked that it be acknowledged.

Grand Secretary's Office,
Winnipeg, Manitoba,
June 8th, 1939.

Mrs. Ethel Ostrander,
Grand Secretary,
Grand Chapter of Manitoba,
Order of the Eastern Star,
Fort Garry Hotel, Man.
Dear Mrs. Ostrander:

Your kind letter of this date from the Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba, Order of the Eastern Star, extending to the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M. greetings and best wishes for a very profitable Grand Session was received and presented at the afternoon Session of our Grand Lodge.

Our M.W. Grand Master, on behalf of himself and Grand Lodge desired me to express to your Worthy Grand Matron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter, sincere thanks and appreciation for your kindly greetings and our sincere good wishes for your Grand Body in Annual Session, and pray for the success and continuance of your good work.

Yours very sincerely,
J. H. G. RUSSELL,
Grand Secretary.

GRAND CHAPLAIN'S ADDRESS

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Once again it is my privilege and pleasure to address you in Session of Grand Lodge. My second year of Office has not been very strenuous but I have had the pleasure of addressing members of Constituent Lodges both in Lodge and at Divine Service.

Last year my address was based on man's duty to God. Today if you will bear with me, I will try in some measure to inspire you with enthusiasm for the Great Architect of the Universe. All our candidates are expected to believe in a Supreme Being, and are obligated on the Volume of the Sacred Law, A Light in a Dark World. This Book of Books comes to us with the power of tradition, inspiration and edification. Surely our meeting together means that we and you pledge our loyalty to each other as brothers, and in some measure let the world know where we stand.

It has been truly said that the Bible is the secret of the Empire's Greatness. The aim of every Mason should be to guide the youth of our day in the right paths. Listen to the words of King Alfred to his son:

> "My dear son, sit thee now beside me and I will deliver thee thine instructions. My son, I feel that my hour is near, my face is pale, my days are nearly over: We must soon part. I shall to another world, and thou shalt be left alone, with all thy wealth. I pray thee, for thou art a dear child, strive to be a father and a Lord to thy people, be thou the children's father and the widows' friend, comfort thou the poor and shelter the weak, and with all thy might, right that which is wrong. And, my Son, govern thyself by law, then shall the Lord love thee, and God above all things shall be thy reward. Call thou upon Him in all thy need and so He shall help thee the better to compass that which thou wouldst."

One of the Old Testament Prophets—"My people have forgotten me."

The Great Prime Minister of Israel said (speaking of religion) "it is not a vain thing for you, it is your life." So may I say with all the enthusiasm I possess, Religion is a vital matter. We have pledged ourselves to be good and upright men, other folks watch us.

Some years ago, a great picture which attracted thousands—a picturesque village well, mossy stones, wheel, etc., and a bucket of its clean cold water; but in contrast to this quiet scene, the artist showed three figures in violent conflict, a poor peasant and two infuriated soldiers. They suspected the people had poisoned the well and to drink might cost them their lives—a vital question to them. A terrified look on the face of the peasant—"does he know the deadly secret." Perhaps he feels that they will force him to drink of the well. All are excited, they feel that their very lives are in question. To Isreal of old, it was not a light or trifling matter, whether they obeyed the Laws of their God or forgot Him, for their very life and existence as a Nation depended on their obedience.

Let me give you a picture—For the last time, the grand old Lawgiver appeals to the multitudes—he looked for the last time on the people he loved so well, and all, both young and old listened with the deepest interest as they gathered around. He said "Your religion is not a matter of mere forms and ceremonies, but it is the secret of your National Vitality—Obey God and you shall live." That God whom you serve, will make you live as a nation, and the Divine Life will give power and vitality to your ancient Faith. The Everlasting God was the sure refuge of Israel.

Brethren, today more than ever in our history, we need to put our trust in the Almighty Father. The Israelites of old had a religion which was fine and real as life itself. True religion is not a mere matter of externals but should be so interwoven with thoughts, feelings and conduct of the believer that it is his life.

It reveals God as your Father. Let me ask you—Are you taking your Masonry seriously? Are you an earnest, active member of the Lodge or just a member. My Brethren, I venture to say many of us have grown indifferent to religion; My aim as a parson and your Grand Chaplain is to urge you to get back to God, stand by your Minister, back him up in energy and good work. We need today a spiritual dynamic, a something to give meaning and power to life.

Masonry should be the handmaid of the Church. I am thankful to say in every Parish I have been in, Masons have been my greatest supporters.

God, my brethren, is our real friend. God is not only called Our Father, but He is. The idea which prevails today in many minds is that Almighty God is called Our Father because He is something like our earthly parent, whereas the truth lies the other way. The man whom we call Father is so called, because He is

something like Our Father above. We are the offspring of God—in Him we live and move and have our being. Surely Masonry teaches us this in all the degrees, but we have drifted away.

"The God that rules on high,
And all the earth surveys,
That rides upon the stormy sky
And calms the roaring seas.
This awful God is ours
Our Father and Our Love."

May I in closing say that whether it is your Lodge or Church, indifference is the sure forerunner of decay. We meet together in Grand Lodge to acknowledge our belief in God, for we invoke His aid and blessing. Will you resolve that from today, your religion is going to be more real. Get back to God. Dedicate your life to the service of God, and your fellow man. We need men—the life of man is the knowledge of God, but this knowledge lives and moves, it is not a dead thing embalmed once for all in dead phrases.

"God give us men. At time like this demands
Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands:
Men whom the lust of office does not kill:
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy:
Men who possess opinions and a will:
Men who have honor—men who will not lie:
Men who can stand before a demagogue
And scorn his treacherous flatteries without winking:
Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog
In public duty, and in private thinking."

Finally let me quote John Oxenham:—

WHICH WAY

"To every man there openeth,
A way, and ways, and a way,
And the high soul climbs the high way,
And the low soul gropes the low:
And in between in the misty flats,
The rest drift to and fro.

"But to every man there openeth,
A high way and a low,
And every man decideth
The one his Soul shall go."

HARRY SHERSTONE,
Grand Chaplain.

R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), moved a vote of deep appreciation to our Grand Chaplain for his splendid address. This was seconded by R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25) and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

MASONIC ISLAND:—R.W. Bro. M. S. Watson (40), presented the following letter from Judge Gudmundor Grimson, of Rugby, North Dakota:

> "On behalf of our International Picnic Committee and our Committee of Administration of Masonic Island, extend felicitations and brotherly greetings to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, with our great appreciation for the $100.00 they sent us last year and with an invitation to your Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers and Masons generally in Manitoba to attend our International Picnic to be held on July 2nd, next, at Masonic Island."

RE MASONIC DISTRICTS:—The following notice of Motion from The Dormer Lodge, No. 151:

> "At the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, I will move, or cause to be moved the following motion:—
> "That this Grand Lodge rescind the resolution passed at the Annual Communication in June, 1938, setting out the several Masonic Districts in so far as they concern Masonic Districts Nos. one, ten and twelve, and that consideration be given to a more equitable division of those three Districts.
>
> "JAS. BUCHAN, P.M.
> "The Dormer Lodge No. 151."

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY:—It was suggested that a list of the books in our Library, accompanied by a letter setting forth that these books are available to the Brethren, be sent to all Lodges. Agreed.

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment by the Most Worshipful Grand Master at 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Second Day
Evening Session

The Most Worshipful Grand Master, accompanied by Grand Lodge Officers and our Distinguished Visitors, entered the Lodge Room with the Brethren singing the Processional Hymn "Lord of the Lands".

The Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 8:05 o'clock p.m. by M.W. Bro. Hon. Robert Hawkins, Grand Master.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:—

The Committee on the Grand Master's address appointed by the Board of General purposes report as follows:

From a careful reading of the Grand Master's address and from information your committee has received covering the work he has accomplished during the past twelve months, we wish to congratulate the Grand Master upon the account of His Stewardship.

We commend his words of welcome to those Brethren who are attending Grand Lodge as members for the first time.

Reading between the lines of our Grand Master's address can be seen a keen active endeavor to proclaim the reality of the teachings and principles of Freemasonry, and the vital need of individual members putting those truths into practice in every day life.

We commend our Grand Master's reference to the influence Freemasons can exert in the field of international affairs, and no opportunity should be lost where we of this Grand Jurisdiction could meet under Masonic auspices with our Brethren of Lodges situated south of the international border. The comment of our Grand Master upon the loss of freedom by large numbers of the population of Europe should continually remind us to offer our humble but sincere thanks to the Giver of all good gifts for the manifold blessings and comforts we enjoy in this free Canada of ours.

We congratulate our Grand Master upon his personal efforts to extend our brotherly love and friendship to representatives of other Grand Lodges.

We observe that contact with the Representatives of the three Grand Lodges of the British Isles; The Grand Lodges of Saskatchewan, Nova Scotia, North Dakota, are reported by Most Worshipful Brother Hawkins, and we feel sure that these evidences of good-will and friendship will bear fruit in those Grand Jurisdictions.

Our Grand Master's reference to the memory of the members of this Grand Jurisdiction who during the past year have been called to the Grand Lodge above, strikes a sympathetic chord in every heart.

We are pleased to note that the interest in the District Meetings continues, evidenced by large attendance and carefully arranged programmes.

We commend our Grand Master's kindly reference to those members of this Grand Jurisdiction who reached the half century mark of continuous service, have received Official recognition from the hand of our Grand Master.

We commend our Grand Master's personal efforts in behalf of the Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge.

We greatly appreciate the high tribute to the services and assistance of our Grand Secretary, and other members of Grand Lodge, who have given generously of their time and ability in the interests of the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction.

Most Worshipful Brother Hawkins has made a large contribution to the welfare of this Grand Jurisdiction, it will be found in

the good he has done, and the helpful encouragement and inspiration he gave to his Brethren. We feel that Grand Lodge owes a debt of gratitude to our Grand Master for his untiring activity, as shown by the number of official visits made during the year in the interest of Freemasonry in the Province of Manitoba and elsewhere.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES MACKIE, P.G.M.
Chairman of Committee.

On motion of M.W. Bro. James Mackie (4), seconded by M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller (25), the report of the Committee on Grand Master's Address was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Committee on the report of the Grand Secretary has noted with interest the various items it contains.

We are glad to note that there is an increase in the number of Initiations for the past year. We share the regret of the Grand Secretary that the number of Suspensions and Demits has increased, also that the loss through death is the greatest in the history of this Grand Lodge.

We commend the efficient service rendered to this Grand Jurisdiction by R.W. Bro. Russell in his careful attention to all the details of his office. Further, we express our appreciation of his ready courtesy and friendliness in all his contacts with the Brethren. We, with all the members of the Craft, rejoice that he has recovered from his late serious illness.

Fraternally submitted,

H. B. DONNELLY,
Chairman.

On motion of R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138), seconded by R.W. Bro. Wm. McLellan (114), the Report of the Committee on Grand Secretary's Report was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members, of the Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

In presenting the report on our Fraternal Dead, I wish to make a few observations. There are many many times in our lives when we pause, so to speak, and ponder over our existence. The mystery of life—the consciousness of a personality—from whence we came and whither are we going. I often wonder if we ever stop to realize that we are living in a remarkable age where the world has been making greater progress in thought and invention during the last fifty years than it has in the fifty centuries preceding.

Man is dissolving time and space! He is conquering the skies! And yet, not so long ago he was terrified to explore even the sea because he thought he would drop off the edge of the horizon! To the average man it seems uncomfortable to him when anyone dares to speculate about the present day uncharted seas, the seas of this life and the next. He invariably answers in this vein: "Oh. don't be morbid," or "Why bring that up." All the same I'm going to bring it up. "If a man die, shall he live again?"

Job asked that. And so have all the others who like Columbus' time, wondered if we tumble out of life and into oblivion at the horizon.

Well, there was a young carpenter of Nazareth who proved that putting off the body wasn't the end. His enemies attempted to destroy him as thoroughly as they knew how; they crucified Him and pierced His side and sealed Him in a stone sepulcher; yet in three days he returned to show them life couldn't be destroyed. And I for one am willing to have faith in what He proved.

"The tomb is not a blind alley; it is an open thoroughfare," is the way Victor Hugo looked at it. "It closes in the twilight to open in the dawn. My work is only beginning—is hardly above the foundation. I would gladly see it mounting forever. The thirst for the Infinite proves infinity."

What a glorious feeling of release that thought gives! If we are freed of the fear of death, then we are free indeed. "My work is only beginning." In other words, the experiences in each particular life are just the series of related incidents that go to make up all experiences. And when we compare the twenty or forty or eighty years of one life span with the eternity through which each one of us as immortal souls shall live, it is only like a passing moment.

You know, one of the stock arguments against a future life is that nobody ever comes back, and that no messages ever come back. Shakespeare writes of "That undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveller returns." How do we know "no traveller returns?" Do we expect to see the returning traveller with these physical eyes and ears? If so then it is true no traveller returns. Who knows but it is the vanished mother who comforts so divinely? Who knows but it is the spirit hand of one whom we have "loved long since and lost awhile" whose touch turns us from evil? "Are these not all ministering angels?" says Saint Paul. After all, it is not a spirit that we desire to see, but a spiritual vision. And this Physical Research is helping us to a realization of this spiritual vision, and I believe we are within measurable distance of the day when pure science will affirm the position of faith as to the future life.

Listen to what science says about the power of thought. Everytime you love or pray or hate or curse, the brain moves. That movement communicates itself to the ether; the ether carries it on to the universe; and there it waits to strike on a mind in sympathy with its ideas and to become a part of that life. Everything that ever was or ever will be was originally created by thought.

God thought, and a universe was set in motion!

A universe was set to vibrating! Breath-taking isn't it? That means, then that everything—every thought, every word, every person, every star—everything is a rate of vibration, that is some form of motion. And all these various rates of vibration have two aspects, visible and invisibe, one you can see and one you can't.

Everything we see in this world is an objectified thought—a thought with an overcoat on. Our bodies are objectified thoughts; they are simply the objects we dangle in front of other people to identify ourselves. It is as if every personality in the universe—those on this plane and all the other planes that exist—were attending a great university. In this university are many schools of experience; and in the school of this plane your physical body and mine are the uniforms by which we recognize each other.

Do we really have another body besides this material one we can see? Metaphysicians and religionists think so. And so do philosophers and pschologists and even scientists. But since it is a spiritual body, it has a higher vibration than the physical; and so when it graduates into a higher plane it discards our school uniform and is no longer evident to our earthly senses.

Not a vibration, not an atom in the universe is lost for an instant. Why should we suppose a personality the most precious vibration of all—can be lost?

After all, it wasn't just a physical body that made my mother who and what she was. It was her courage and love, her tenderness, her humor and generosity and patience and understanding. The endearing and lasting part of my brother's personality was made up of his gaiety, his charm and kindness and affection. These qualities with many others were the essence, the spirit and life in the departed ones to whom we pay tribute tonight. And not only do they continue to live on this plane in memory, but as a necessary part of God's universe—and in their unique combinations such as make up a particular personality—they go on, forever imperishable.

Brethren, it has been well said, that music is the Mother of Sympathy and the handmaid of religion, and we have in this hall, tonight, the means of invoking music to express and concert all our emotions and deepest feelings.

Let us, therefore, be upstanding and let us listen for a few minutes to those immortal harmonies, which speak first of lamentation and sorrow for the departed, and then remind us that the tomb is but the doorway to a glorious resurrection, and the passage to life and bliss eternal, for those who have faithfully performed their allotted task, during their mortal existence here on earth. Thus shall we be able to think together, as Brethren, of them whom we have loved and lost.

Fraternally submitted,

F. W. BROWNELL,
Chairman.

After the Address, W. Bro. J. J. Lyon gave an appropriate selection on the organ.

The thanks of Grand Lodge were expressed to W. Bro. Frank W. Brownell (148), for his report on our Fraternal Dead.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Credentials begs to report as follows:

There are 103 Chartered Lodges and one Lodge Under Dispensation on the Grand Register—79 Lodges were represented by one or more of their principal officers, 25 are unrepresented namely:—Brandon Lodge No. 19, Deloraine Lodge No. 40, Treherne Lodge No. 51, Shiloh Lodge No. 70, Crystal Lodge No. 71, Napinka Lodge No. 77, Hamiota Lodge No. 84, Midlothian Lodge No. 90, Shoal Lake Lodge No. 92, Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100, Binscarth Lodge No. 101, Lansdowne Lodge No. 107, Swan Lake Lodge No. 109, Strathcona Lodge No. 117, Roblin Lodge No. 122, The Pas Lodge No. 124, Favel Lodge No. 126, Victory Lodge No. 128, Shellmouth Lodge No. 129, Sprague Lodge No. 132, McCreary Lodge No. 133, Capitol Lodge No. 136, Harmony Lodge No. 142, Jubilee Lodge No. 147 and Foxwarren Lodge No. 152.

Eighty-six Lodges have one or more Past Masters present, and 11 Lodges have neither a Past Master nor Officer present. There were 405 Past Masters present, 64 Worshipful Masters, 50 Senior Wardens, 43 Junior Wardens, making a total of 562 members present.

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH M. KERR,
Chairman.

No.	Name of Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Tot. Vote
1	Prince Rupert's	1	1	1	10	13
2	Lisgar		1		1	2
3	Ancient Landmark .		1	1	10	12
4	St. John's	1	1	1	16	19
6	Emerson	1	1	1	5	8
7	Assiniboine	1	1		6	8
8	King Solomon	1			5	6
10	Northern Light	1	1	1	18	21
11	Gladstone	1	1	1	5	8
12	Stonewall	1	1		5	7
13	Belmont	1	1	1	3	6
14	Prince of Wales	1	1		4	6
15	Corinthian	1			1	2
19	Brandon					
24	Neepawa	1		1	6	8
25	Ionic	1	1	1	13	16
27	Glenwood	1	1			2
29	Carberry	1		1	4	6
30	Manitou		1	1	3	5
36	Doric	1			4	5
39	Birtle		1		3	4
40	Deloraine				4	4
43	Lebanon	1	1		5	7
44	Oak Lake	1	1	1	2	5
48	Glenboro	1		1	3	5
49	Temple	1			4	5
50	Killarney	1			3	4
51	Treherne				4	4
52	Hartney	1	1	1	5	8
54	Oriental	1	1		5	7
55	East Star	1			4	5
62	Russell	1		1		2
63	Holland	1		1	2	4
64	Composite	1	1		5	7
67	Wawanesa	1			4	5
68	Vermillion	1	1		2	4
70	Shiloh				4	4
71	Crystal				2	2
74	Elkhorn			1		1
75	Gothic	1		1	5	7
77	Napinka				2	2
82	Cypress		1		1	2
84	Hamiota				1	1
86	Elgin	1		1	6	8
87	Rathwell	1	1		1	3
90	Midlothian				3	3
92	Shoal Lake				1	1
93	King Edward	1		1	7	9
94	Hiram	1	1		4	6
100	Robbie Burns				1	1
101	Binscarth					
102	Miniota	1	1		3	5

No.	Name of Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Tot. Vote
103	Crescent	1	1		5	7
104	Reston	1	1		3	5
105	Prince Arthur	1			1	2
106	Strathclair			1	1	2
107	Lansdowne				1	1
108	Union			1	3	4
109	Swan Lake				4	4
110	Kilwinning	1			1	2
111	Acacia	1	1		4	6
112	Ophir	1			4	5
113	Tweed	1	1		5	7
114	"The Assiniboine"	1	1	1	13	16
115	Rivers		1	1		2
116	St. Andrew's	1		1	5	7
117	Strathcona					
118	Mound	1			2	3
119	Norwood	1	1	1	10	13
120	Penza	1	1	1	8	11
121	St. James		1	1	4	6
122	Roblin					
123	Transcona	1	1	1	15	18
124	The Pas				1	1
125	Patricia	1	1		6	8
126	Favel					
127	Empire	1	1	1	2	5
128	Victory					
129	Shellmouth					
130	Fort Garry	1		1	7	9
131	Kildonan		1	1	3	5
132	Sprague					
133	McCreary					
134	Stony Mountain	1	1	1	3	6
136	Capitol				4	4
137	Lord Selkirk		1	1	3	5
138	Windsor	1	1		6	8
139	Beaver		1	1	6	8
140	Meridian	1	1	1	7	10
141	Tuscan	1		1	6	8
142	Harmony				1	1
143	Mt. Sinai	1	1	1	11	14
144	Fort Osborne	1	1	1	5	8
145	Sturgeon Creek	1	1	1	6	9
146	Fidelity	1			6	7
147	Jubilee					
148	Seven Oaks	1	1	1	8	11
150	Cartwright	1	1	1		3
151	The Dormer	1	1		6	8
152	Foxwarren					
153	Flin Flon	1				1
154	Pine Falls		1		1	2
155	Carman	1			3	4
	Manitouwapa			1		1
	Totals	64	50	43	405	562

On motion of R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr (113), seconded by R.W. Bro. T. A. Argue (55), the Report of the Committee on Credentials was received and adopted.

FIFTY-YEAR JEWELS

The following Brethren were presented with Fifty-year Jewels by the M.W. the Grand Master:

BRO. CHARLES R. McLACHLAN—Initiated in Broome Lake Lodge No. 211, G.R.C., on January 2nd, 1873. Affiliated with St. John's Lodge No. 4 G.R.M., November 2nd, 1887.

BRO. ANDREW MORE—Initiated in Clinton Lodge No. 84, G.R.C., on November 13th, 1874. Affiliated with Lebanon Lodge No. 43 G.R.M., on October 18th, 1910, from Pequonga Lodge No. 414 G.R.C.

BRO. WILLIAM E. MILNER—Initiated in Ionic Lodge No. 229, Brampton, G.R.C., on May 4th, 1887. Affiliated with "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114 G.R.M., on May 22nd, 1909.

In presenting the Jewels, the Most Worshipful Grand Master expressed the pleasure and privilege he had in greeting these Brethren who had served the Craft so well in the past fifty years or more and prayed that they would be spared for some years to come, to go in and out among the Brethren and enjoy the associations they have made in the years that have passed.

Each of the three Brethren addressed the Grand Lodge briefly expressing their thanks and appreciation.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master, in his usual happy manner, introduced our Guest Speaker, M.W. Bro. Hon. J. W. Estey, P.G.M., of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan asking him to address the Brethren.

HON. J. W. ESTEY'S ADDRESS

I appreciate the kind invitation in response to which I am privileged to visit with you and to be present at this splendid Communication of your Grand Lodge. With our Grand Master and our Grand Secretary I join in bringing to you the kindly greetings of the Brethren in your sister Grand Jurisdiction of Saskatchewan.

Upon an occasion so important as this it is appropriate that we should reflect upon the value, importance and significance of Free Masonry as a factor in the lives of our members and in the contribution which they may make to the communities in which they live.

Masonry has a tradition and a history, a knowledge of which can mean a great deal to us, and in particular provide for us a background and a basis for an adequate understanding of that idealism which we have sought to perfect in Masonry. I am not one who believes that this idealism is limited or restricted to Free Masonry but that in the main and basically it is the same idealism that many worth-while institutions stand for. It is an idealism that has made and will continue to make a very important contribution in the general scheme of affairs in this busy, active word.

After all, one merely has to reflect upon the history of the world and of democracies in particular to appreciate the power of ideals and the development of ideals down through the centuries. In this day when crisis seems to follow upon crisis, when so much of alarm and confusion is all around us as well as anxiety and fear that worry and disturb us, we may well reflect upon this idealism and the principles upon which it is founded. Such is a responsibility we owe to ourselves, to our communities, to our provinces and, indeed, to the world and all mankind. Such reflection will perfect our concepts of these principles and of this idealism. Then will we make this idealism full of meaning and significance to each one of us.

The course of history indicates that men down through the centuries have been pursuing just such a course. At times it may have appeared that no progress was made but as a rule a period of stagnation has been followed by one of activity. Certainly as we look back and review the past we appreciate the progress already made and find much to encourage and stimulate as we look forward into the future.

We have recently had a visit from Their Gracious Majesties, King George and Queen Elizabeth. Their visit throughout Canada has made a profound impression upon our people. Everywhere their kindly dignity, their sincerity of purpose and the genuine home life for which they stand have aroused anew a genuine sense

of loyalty to the Crown. As we have been privileged to enjoy the visit in our respective communities and to read of the tour in other parts we have felt our emotions aroused, our memories refreshed and our thinking stimulated until today throughout the whole of the Dominion there is a meaning and a significance to our concept of the British Empire not previously enjoyed.

This visit has been of particular interest to the members of the Masonic Fraternity. Our Gracious King himself has been an active member of our Order. He was initiated in 1919 in Navy Lodge of England. In 1923 he was elected Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of England. In 1924 he became Provincial Grand Master of Middlesex. In 1936 he was installed Grand Master Mason of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. In 1937 he was the recipient of the signal honour of being made a Past Grand Master of England, an honour which has been conferred upon only six individuals since 1813.

Masonry is a fraternal Order. Our history contains many incidents that constantly remind us of this important fact. Our King, as a Mason, exemplifies the fraternal character of Masonry. In 1936 he affiliated with Glamis Lodge in the Grand Jurisdiction of Scotland. There he was presented with the Master's Apron by Worshipful Brother James Beatty, then Master of Glamis Lodge and local village postman. This event will always have an appropriate place in the history of Grand Lodge and will be a source of inspiration to all of our Order who are privileged from time to time to read thereof. It is an example of the spirit of fraternal brotherhood and good will that permeates our Order. It is an example of the oft quoted sentence that "Free Masonry from its origin to the present time, in all its vicissitudes, has been the steady unvarying friend of man"—of man in every walk of life regardless of his rank or position, and to all men "it has gone forth from age to age, the constant messenger of peace and love."

It is appropriate, upon the occasion of His Mejesty's visit to this Dominion, current at the time of this Communication of Grand Lodge, that we give some thought to the purpose and significance of that visit. If I mistake not, Their Gracious Majesties are bringing to this Dominion from the Old Land a message of peace and love, a message that has had a very definite effect: A visit that has fixed our attention upon the British Empire. Its achievements, progress and development have been uppermost in our minds as we have realized that for the first time in history a reigning British Sovereign has visited our Dominion. Many have inquired of and reflected upon the principles and idealism which underlie that achievement, progress and development.

I recall a statement made by a citizen of the United States after a visit made during the Great War to Switzerland and the Alps.

He related an experience with a Swiss boy he met in the Alps. The boy had a cannon with which he entertained tourists. He discharged his cannon and the gentleman of the United States observed how the smoke of that little cannon completely disclosed from his view the three great peaks of the Alps. Then, when the smoke had passed away, the peaks again came into view, standing as before and resting upon their same solid foundations of rock. The visitor remarked, "When the confusion of this great war has passed away the great principles which underlie human progress will still obtain." So it has been down through all the ages. We have had our wars, revolutions and disturbances of all kinds, but when they have ended these great principles remained. They are the very foundation and basis of the progress we have enjoyed and which we confidently anticipate will be ours in the future.

A brief review of British history will indicate that, in the experience of our people, this statement is true. One writer has pointed out that the five foundation stones of British history are:

> 1215—The Magna Carta, by which we were given Parliament and written laws.
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> 1679—The Habeas Corpus Act, by which we established the liberty of the person.
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> 1701—The Act of Settlement, which established the position of the Crown.
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> 1911—The Parliament Act, which determined the supremacy of the House of Commons and, through that elected body, the supremacy of the people.
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> 1931—The Statute of Westminster, which placed in writing the relationship between the component parts of the British Empire and, in the words of a great writer, "made our great colonies into daughters no more, but sisters equal with the motherland."

There are other important Acts and equally important events but these portray to us a steady and effective progress; a gradual upward trend in our point of view toward the idealism we are constantly seeking; and that, while events moved more slowly in the 13th and immediately succeeding centuries, there has been a steady increase in the tempo of events until today events of magnitude happen with greater rapidity than ever before.

The same conclusion will be reached no matter how we may approach this subject. We live in this great Dominion, a one-time colony of England, and if we review the development in the relationship between the colonies and the motherland we shall come to the same conclusion that our point of view is changing and very obviously and effectively upward. In 1897, Mr. Austen

Chamberlain, addressing the Royal Colonial Institute, gave expression to the point of view of the 18th century:

> "The colonies were valued and maintained because it was thought that they would be a source of profit—a direct profit—to the Mother country."

Thirteen of the American colonies resented this point of view and seized upon the imposition of a new tax by the Government at London, in which they were not represented, as a just cause for open rebellion. As a consequence of this and other actors these thirteen colonies were granted their independence in 1783. With this event another point of view came into being—that if the colonies could not be retained as a source of profit they were not worth while. Then followed a disposition to forego the colonies. This was evident at the time discussions were held with respect to the formation of our own Dominion of Canada. Professor Trotter in his book "Canadian Federation" refers to this subject:

> "Many believed that the natural evolution of the colonies was towards complete independence from the Mother Country. There would have been considerable relief, indeed, in some quarters, had the Provinces chosen to join the United States and thus remove themselves from their place as the Achilles' heel of the Empire stretched out naked for the American Republic to snap at. Even the Colonial Office contained among its permanent officials men of these views."

The formation of this Dominion may be regarded as the initiation of the point of view we entertain today. Soon thereafter we find the beginnings of what has gradually developed into the present basis of Empire. A new idealism came into being and a consequent new relationship that no longer speaks in terms of colonies and dependencies but rather of component parts of a great Empire, or of nations in a Commonwealth of Nations or, as Mr. C. J. M. Alport entitles his book: "Dominions in Partnership."

This British Commonwealth of Nations is not the creation of a dictator nor of any group of individuals but rather a constitutional achievement that has been moulded and developed out of the experience of a people democratic in thought and action. Loyal men, representatives of the people, assembled in parliaments, directed our affairs. Their efforts were exerted toward the preservation and improvement of the democratic characteristics of the people. Representatives from the component parts met in London from time to time to discuss matters of concern to the Empire. One of these groups gathered in 1926 and there continued the discussion of the relationship that had developed between the Parliament of the United Kingdom and the parliaments of the respective

Dominions. As a consequence of this conference His Majesty's Government in 1931 passed into law The Statute of Westminster, whereby the Dominion of Canada and the self-governing dominions beyond the seas were given the right and power to make the laws and to advise the Sovereign within their respective jurisdictions and to negotiate treaties with the nations of the world independently of the Mother country. As a consequence of this Statute, His Excellency Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor General of Canada, was in a position to state, on the occasion of Their Majesties' coronation:

> "Canada is a Kingdom, and he is King of Canada, your own King, just as much as he is King of England. There is not a boy or girl in the remotest part of this Dominion who has not this personal link with the King who is being crowned in Westminster Abbey. We all have our own duties to perform in this world, and our king has more than the rest of us. But we share with him the two which are most important of all—to serve God and to serve our fellow men."

These privileges, these far-reaching concessions were not exacted but were asked for as the next logical and necessary forward step by the governments of the respective dominions and granted by His Majesty's Government as such and upon the basis of trust, confidence and good-will. It is upon this basis that the British Empire has been welded together with ties that become stronger and more permanent as they are practised and respected. Within this Empire and by adherence to these same principles we developed the highest conceptions of justice, peace and brotherhood known to man. It is under these auspices of freedom and equality that men realize the opportunity and the ambition to develop and give expression to the highest and best that is possible in man.

There is to be found in the preamble of this most important Statute a statement that clearly defines the relation of the Crown to the Empire and the component parts thereof:

> "Inasmuch as the Crown is the symbol of the free association of the members of the British Commonwealth of Nations, and as they are united by a common allegiance to the Crown, it would be in accord with the established constitutional position of all the members of the Commonwealth in relation to one another that any alteration in the law touching the Succession to the Throne or the Royal Style and Titles shall hereafter require the assent as well of the parliaments of all the Dominions as of the Parliament of the United Kingdom."

The student of constitutional history, as he reads this statement, must pause and reflect—"the free association of the members"—

"united by a common allegiance." In future these Dominions will act independently yet in concert upon important matters. The British Empire is a constitutional achievement of this century carved out from the past and to be perfected in the future. Empires have existed in the past, but never an empire upon such a basis. The fact is that we may not fully appreciate just how far we have progressed in the development of this basis. Certainly the leaders and students of political thought in other countries do not.

Only a few years ago one of the foremost French scholars and writers of political science stated that he was touring the British Empire in order that he might, if possible, understand the British Empire—what it was that actually maintained the Empire as a unit, the self-governing members of which may and do act independently. This achievement is one indication of how far the British people have moved forward and have realized a higher type of citizenship, while in other parts of the world changes have placed dictators in positions of complete authority. Our people have enjoyed more and greater liberties and benefits while people in other parts have suffered additional limitations and discomforts. Nevertheless, we have not completed our task. Much remains to be achieved. The achievements of the immediate past afford our greatest encouragement. They give to us an inspiration to carry on.

One can only hope that the standards of reason, equity and conciliation which today so effectively obtain within the British Empire—these great factors to which we naturally and invariably appeal for the adjustment and settlement of all differences—may be developed outside of the Empire and will gradually and effectively replace those factors of force, selfishness and fear which seem to obtain in so large a part of the world today.

The League of Nations was an outstanding conception of its day, but in the final analysis even the League relied upon force through sanctions for the enforcement of its decrees. That is one outstanding difference between the League and the British Empire. While the League has gone down in influence and effectiveness the factors of reason, equity and conciliation within the British Empire have gradually and steadily become more effective. In other words the British Empire within its own boundaries does not recognize force as a just authority to which one may make an appeal to obtain a desired end. This British Empire is a great democracy. I like to think of its outstanding characteristic, that democracy is not a fixed and determined ideal but it is one which is constantly growing and advancing as the will of the majority of the people within that democracy may direct. Briefly, democracy has no limit but the idealism of its people. Its conception is a magnificent chal-

lenge to the imagination, vision and the powers of thought with which we are all endowed.

We are passing through times of anxiety, concern and worry, but let us bear in mind that this is not the only time when people have been so involved. One can think of many such periods in the history of our Empire. In the period of the early 30's of the 19th century, when great reforms were taking place in England, bitter controversy obtained in every part of the country. Out of that period came from the pen of one who took a very active part in world affairs a hymn with which we are all familiar, which indicates how he struggled with the problems of social and political concern in his day; one who later became Cardinal Newman and who was very active in the campaign that centred about the year 1832. He felt the very foundations of English citizenship were being wrecked and gave himself with such vigour to the campaign that his health became undermined. He, with a friend, went to Italy for a rest and cure. His health restored, he started to England on an orange boat which, because of a storm in the Mediterranean, remained at anchor for a week. There awaiting the abatement of the storm and still worried about the social and political problems of England he wrote those magnificent lines, "Lead kindly light, amid the encircling gloom." With sincere devotion to his country Newman was seeking something which might save England from the catastrophe toward which he sincerely believed it was moving. Today I wonder how many are with the same effort and devotion, surrounded by so many disintegrating factors and forces, trying to find some integrating force or forces which may be used to promote human welfare and brotherhood among men and remove from our midst the last vestige of these forces of hate, fear and ill will.

A pastor was preparing a sermon when his small boy came into his study with many boyish questions which interfered with the work his father had on hand. The father had in the study a puzzle which required the placing together of many small pieces so that, when completed, it constituted a map of the world. This he gave to the boy to work upon. In a very short time the boy was back with it completed. The father was astonished believing in his own mind that the boy would not be back for hours. At once he asked, "How did you do it so quickly?" The boy replied, "Father, I saw on the other side a picture of a man, and so I put the parts of the man together knowing that if the man was right the world would be right." In that simple story one finds a great truth. Put the man straight and all will be well with the world. Does Masonry not exist for the benefit first of the individual, then of that group who are privileged to enjoy membership in our Order and then for the world at large? If we keep ourselves straight then shall we make our contribution toward the welfare of the world. As we go back to our respective communities from this splendid Communi-

cation of Grand Lodge may we go back with a greater inspiration, a renewed courage, a larger vision and a regenerated determination to dedicate our lives to the promotion of those ideals for which our Order stands. May our promotion of them be not in the abstract but in the practical realities of life. In this way we shall make our appropriate contribution toward the peace, comfort and happiness of our fellow men.

M.W. Bro. N. J. Black in a few well chosen remarks moved a very hearty vote of thanks to M.W. Bro. Hon. J. W. Estey for his splendid address, to which the Brethren responded most heartily.

Bro. W. Davidson Thomson sang two delightful selections meeting with the hearty appreciation of the Brethren.

REPORT OF SCRUTINEERS ON ELECTION

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Your Board of Scrutineers, appointed to conduct the Annual Election of officers and eight members to the Board of General Purposes for a term of two years make report as follows:

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND MASTER the name of William D Lawrence was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF DEPUTY GRAND MASTER the name of J. J. Henderson was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF SENIOR GRAND WARDEN the name of George R. Calvert was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN four names were submitted in nomination, i.e. Samuel Burland, Maurice S. Donovan, Stanley H. Fahrni and Maris Garton.

There were 541 ballots cast, of which number 2 were spoiled leaving a valid vote of 539. The quota necessary for election was 270.

R.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni received the required number of votes.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND TREASURER the name of Alexander Burgess was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY the name of John H. G. Russell was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND CHAPLAIN the name of Peter T. Pilkey was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND HISTORIAN the name of William Douglas was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES two names were submitted in nomination i.e. Neil B. MacTaggart and Charles R. Sayer.

There were 541 ballots cast of which number 12 were spoiled leaving a valid vote of 529. The quota necessary for election was 265.

Charles R. Sayer received the required number.

FOR THE OFFICE OF LIBRARIAN the name of C. E. Somerset was the only one submitted in nomination.

For the Board of General Purposes ten names were submitted in nomination for eight vacancies to serve a two year term, i.e.

Harry Coddington	Samuel Burland
J. Frank Dart	S. Hart Green
Hugh M. Kerr	K. R. Kennedy
Wm. McLellan	A. H. Steventon
H. T. Waters	W. J. Wilson

The number of ballots cast was 541 of which 31 were spoiled, making the valid vote 510. The necessary quota to elect was 57. The following Brethren received the necessary quota or an equivalent to elect:

Samuel Burland	Hugh M. Kerr
Harry Coddington	Wm. McLellan
J. Frank Dart	A. H. Steventon
S. Hart Green	H. T. Waters

All of which is fraternally submitted.

(Signed) WM. DOUGLAS,
Chairman.

On Motion of M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), seconded by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), the Report of the Scrutineers on Elections was received and adopted.

THANKS

Moved by W. Bro. N. M. Hall (114)

That we place on record and extend to Bro. W. Davidson Thomson our thanks and appreciation for the valuable contribution to the musical part of our program and to V.W. Bro. Joseph J. Lyon who so ably assisted at the piano and organ.

Moved by W. Bro. J. Morgan Davies (25)

That we extend on behalf of this Grand Lodge its sincere thanks and appreciation to the Management of the Royal Alexandra Hotel, for the splendid accommodation provided for this Communication, and to the staff of the Hotel for the courtesy and assistance which has been given so willingly.

Moved by R.W. Bro. Sam. Burland (12)

To all the Brethren who have given so generously and fully of their time toward the successful carrying out of the details and arrangements which have contributed so materially to the success of this Communication, we extend our sincere thanks.

These resolutions of thanks were unanimously approved by Grand Lodge.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS
ELECTED AND APPOINTED, FOR 1939-1940

Elected:

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25), Winnipeg.....Grand Master
R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), Miniota..Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Rev. G. R. Calvert (1), Winnipeg, Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni (11),
Gladstone .....Junior Grand Warden

R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3), Winnipeg.....Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), Winnipeg.....Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey (25), Winnipeg.....Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), Winnipeg.....Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. Charles R. Sayer (10),
Winnipeg .....Grand Director of Ceremonies
R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset (2), Selkirk.....Grand Librarian

The M.W. Grand Master appointed the following Officers:

V.W. Bro. Wm. J. Edwards (25), Winnipeg, Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. M. Maclean (13), Morden.....Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. James Cavers (3), Winnipeg....Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. P. M. Johnston (114), Winnipeg, Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Joseph J. Lyon (130), Winnipeg.....Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. Wm. G. Corbett (12), Stonewall.....Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Chas. J. Nicholson (131), Winnipeg.....Grand Tyler

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

The following Brethren were chosen by the representatives of the Constituent Lodges of the respective Masonic Districts present at Grand Lodge, and confirmed and declared elected by the M.W. the Grand Master Elect.

1st Masonic District.....R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant (3), Winnipeg
2nd Masonic District..R.W. Bro. W. M. Jackson (11), Gladstone
3rd Masonic District..R.W. Bro. G. O. Couch (109), Swan Lake
4th Masonic District...R.W. Bro. Edward Dow (36), Boissevain
5th Masonic District.....R.W. Bro. F. C. Barber (39) Birtle
6th Masonic District.....R.W. Bro. W. J. Cobb (54), Melita
7th Masonic District..R.W. Bro. Arthur Cooper (44), Oak Lake
8th Masonic District....R.W. Bro. J. A. McVicar (120), Arnaud
9th Masonic District...R.W. Bro. W. J. Rodgers (128), Durban
10th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. Dr. M. MacKay (123), Transcona
12th Masonic District....R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood (144), Winnipeg

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INSTALLATION OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Hon. Robert Hawkins, asked M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), to assume the gavel and install the Grand Lodge Officers.

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), called on M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3), to assume the office of Grand Director of Ceremonies.

The Installation of the Grand Lodge Officers was a fine ceremony, the Installing Officers were ably assisted by the following Past Grand Masters:

M.W. Bro. W. J. Major (25)
M.W. Bro. James Mackie (4)

Most Worshipful Brother, W. D. Lawrence, Grand Master Elect, thanked M.W. Bro. Harry Woods and the other Installing Officers for the impressive manner in which the Installation had been carried out.

PRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF GRAND LODGE

M.W. Bro. Hon. Robert Hawkins, presented M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Grand Master Elect, with a Grand Master's Apron and Collar, which M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence acknowledged with sincere thanks and appreciation.

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence presented M.W. Bro. Hon. Robert Hawkins, retiring Grand Master, with a Past Grand Master's Jewel, to which he gave a very suitable acknowledgement, and wished the Grand Master a very happy and successful year in Office.

The newly installed Grand Lodge Officers briefly expressed their thanks to the Brethren for the honor of being elected to their respective Offices.

CLOSING OF GRAND LODGE

The business of Grand Lodge having been completed, the Sixty-fourth Annual Communication was closed in Ample

Form with prayer by R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Chaplain.

J. H. G. Russell

Grand Secretary.

REPORTS OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit a report of my activities as your representative in the First Masonic District for the year 1938-1939.

W. Bro. G. Arthur Gray was appointed District Secretary and W. Bro. J. C. Grant was appointed District Chaplain. With V.W. Bro. W. Percy White as District Treasurer and R.W. Bro. Ben. G. Parker, these composed the Officers of the First Masonic District.

All Lodges in the First Masonic District were visited officially on the following dates:

Ionic Lodge No. 25	October 3rd, 1938
St. John's Lodge No. 4	October 5th, 1938
Acacia Lodge No. 111	October 12th, 1938
Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3	October 17th, 1938
King Edward Lodge No. 93	October 19th, 1938
"The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114,	November 1st, 1938
St. James Lodge No. 121	November 9th, 1938
Norwood Lodge No. 119	November 10th, 1938
Empire Lodge No. 127	November 14th, 1938
Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1	November 15th, 1938
Northern Light Lodge No. 10	November 17th, 1938

With one or two exceptions all Lodges were also visited unofficially. On all visits whether official or unofficial, your representative was very cordially received and it was very gratifying to hear the expressions of loyalty from the Brethren in the First Masonic District to yourself and to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

Attendance at regular meetings is good but the average over the year does not show up so well on account of the greatly reduced attendance at Emergent meetings. It is also noted that 11.00 p.m. or 11.15 p.m. is about as late as the majority of members wish to stay unless there is something very special to keep their interest.

The affairs of all Lodges are conducted in a business-like manner. The Lodges in the First Masonic District are blessed with very efficient Secretaries. Some of these Brethren have served their respective Lodges over a long period of years and the smooth

running of the business end of the Lodges is in a large measure due to their thorough knowledge of how the business should be conducted. They give unsparingly of their time and talent.

Harmony is very much in evidence in all Lodges and nothing of a contentious nature was noted.

Degrees are well conferred and reflect great credit on the Officers. Past Masters are in attendance in goodly numbers and are ready and willing to take part in any work assigned to them. The Instruction Committees are to be congratulated on the coaching of Candidates. Quite a number of Degrees were witnessed and at all times the candidates were well prepared to give proof of their proficiency in the preceding degree. They directed credit on themselves and the Committee that had them in charge.

Early in the fall of 1938 the Masters of the Lodges in the First Masonic District met at dinner with Grand Lodge Officers and District Officers. This meeting was arranged to make plans and set a date for the District Meeting and to discuss any other matters for the good of Freemasonry in this District. It also afforded an opportunity for those in attendance of getting better acquainted.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple on Saturday evening, January 28th, with an attendance of 237. Many distinguished Brethren were present. V.W. Bro. O. L. Best, introduced R.W. Bro. Harry Gill, Deputy Grand Master and R.W. Bro. Leon Pettit, District Deputy Grand Master of the First Masonic District of North Dakota. These Brethren were accompanied by a number of their members from North Dakota.

R.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker, introduced R.W. Bro. J. J. Sinclair and Masters of the Lodges in the Twelfth Masonic District. R.W. Bro. Sinclair officiated for R.W. Bro. Hugh Mackenzie, District Deputy Grand Master of this District who was unavoidably absent from Winnipeg on business.

M.W. Bro. W. J. Major introduced the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Robert Hawkins who was accompanied by a large number of present and past Grand Lodge Officers.

All distinguished Brethren were received with Grand Honors.

The District Meeting listened with rapt attention to the address from the Grand Master. It was inspiring and could not help but make a lasting impression on those in attendance. It was unanimously decided to have this address printed for distribution to the Lodges.

R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Deputy Grand Master, addressed the meeting on "The Bicentenary of Freemasonry in Canada."

This address was very well received and gave those in attendance a real picture of the inception of Freemasonry in Canada in the Maritime Provinces.

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods addressed the meeting on "The Benevolent Fund" and pointed out that due to present economic conditions the revenue from invested funds had been greatly reduced and further contributions were necessary to enable the Benevolent Fund to carry out the duties for which it was founded.

The presence of R.W. Bro. Harry Gill and R.W. Bro. Leon Pettit and Brethren from the Grand Jurisdiction of North Dakota was very much appreciated and lent an International flavor to the meeting.

In November, 1938, your representative accepted an invitation from the Worshipful Master of Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, to attend with them the District Meeting of the First Masonic District of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota which was held at Walhalla, N.D. On arrival at Walhalla, about 80 Brethren from Winnipeg and the Lodges along the Manitoba Border were found in attendance. A very pleasant, interesting and instructive evening was spent with our North Dakota Brethren.

At this meeting an invitation was extended by your representative to our Brethren in North Dakota to meet with us at our District Meeting. This invitation met with favor and was accepted and while the number in attendance was not large this is only a start. I am of the opinion these meetings of the Brethren of Manitoba and the Brethren of the Grand Jurisdictions on our Southern Border are very worthwhile and should be encouraged.

The District Meeting of the First Masonic District of Manitoba could be held late in October or early in November, when weather conditions are more favorable and a greater number would be sure to attend. It could be arranged to alternate these visits and make a real International Meeting each year. As the Grand Jurisdiction of Minnesota also borders on Manitoba, no doubt the Brethren of Minnesota would also be pleased to enter into an arrangement of this nature. It is known the Brethren of North Dakota are quite favorably disposed to arrange more of these meetings. Distances are not great, roads are good and organization is all that is necessary to make a meeting of this nature a real Masonic event.

It is not my duty to perorate in this connection but these meetings have an added value in the light of present World conditions. The present unsettled conditions in World affairs particularly in Europe have adversely affected Freemasonry. In Europe, Freemasonry has been suppressed in practically all countries with the exception of Great Britain, Norway, Sweden,

Denmark, France and Switzerland. Freemasonry to Dictators is incomprehensible. Even in Canada and the United States we find organizations whose purpose seems to be destructive rather than constructive and who seem ever ready to align themselves with others who would rather tear down than build up. However we should be thankful these are in the minority and it is not significant that in the most democratic, progressive and peace loving nations of this world such as the British Commonwealth of Nations, France, United States and the Scandinavian countries, we find Freemasonry has been recognized and encouraged as a factor for good by the Heads of these Nations.

Visitations in large numbers between the Brethren of Grand Jurisdictions in Canada and the Grand Jurisdictions in the United States cannot help but be beneficial to all Free Masons and Freemasonry as a whole. We speak the same language, have the same traditions and are imbued by the same tenets and principles.

I believe serious consideration should at once be given to the matter of the granting of Life Memberships. This will very shortly affect the financial conditions of some of our Lodges. Losses through death and suspensions for non-payment of dues are not nearly compensated for by the admission of new members by initiation and affiliation. Also as our Lodges grow older, more members become eligible for Life Membership, revenue from dues will be greatly reduced and Lodges will have to draw on invested funds for regular Lodge expenses.

Shortly after the Great War large numbers were received into membership and within the next five years these members will become eligible for Life Membership. I would respectfully suggest that this matter be referred to a Committee, preferably with actuarial experience so that all Lodges would have the benefit of this Committee's recommendations.

Some immediate thought should also be given with respect to the Young Man and Freemasonry. The subject of interesting our sons and young men in Freemasonry is one that is worthy of our deepest consideration. The average age of applicants during 1938, was about 40 years. A few years ago it was the ambition of practically all sons of Free Masons to make application for membership when they reached their majority. Economic conditions are no doubt to a great degree responsible for the fewer applications from the younger men. Situations are not as stable as they were a few years ago and quite likely a large number wish to become more firmly established in their life's work before making application for membership. It may be that with a return to more settled conditions we will again receive applications from our young men in greater numbers but in the meantime I believe we should endeavor to search out the reason more are not making application at the present time.

During the year it was my pleasure to be present at Anniversary celebrations of four Lodges. Acacia Lodge No. 111 and The Assiniboine Lodge No. 114 observed their 30th anniversaries. Northern Light Lodge No. 10 marked their 60th birthday and the Brethren of the First Masonic District presented Officers' Aprons for the Senior Warden and Junior Warden. Transcona Lodge No. 123 celebrated their 25th Anniversary and invited the Masters of the Winnipeg Lodges to be present. On behalf of the Lodges in the First Masonic District, Officers' Aprons were presented for the Worshipful Master, Senior Warden and Junior Warden.

It was also my privilege to be included among the guests at several social functions which are held annually and I wish to express my thanks for these kind invitations.

It was indeed gratifying to have the Brethren accompany me in such goodly numbers on my Official Visits and I wish to express my sincere thanks for their support and interest. It was particularly pleasing to have the company of so many Masters at these visitations.

During the year two of our members who for a long period have been assiduous in Masonic activities in the First Masonic District, viz.—R.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker and V.W. Bro. W. Percy White, District Treasurer, suffered serious illnesses which necessitated hospital treatment. I am very pleased to report these Brethren are now fully recovered and are again taking their usual places in Masonic activities.

I wish to express my appreciation to R.W. Bro. Hugh Mackenzie and his Officers in the Twelfth Masonic District for their hearty co-operation and assistance on all occasions. Also to congratulate R.W. Bro. Mackenzie on his recovery from his recent serious illness.

I would indeed be lacking in appreciation if I did not record the services so efficiently and cheerfully rendered by W. Bro. G. Arthur Gray, District Secretary, W. Bro. J. C. Grant, District Chaplain, V.W. Bro. W. Percy White, District Treasurer and R.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker, Immediate Past D.D.G.M. To W. Bro. G. Arthur Gray, I am particularly indebted. All matters appertaining to the Office of District Secretary have been readily and competently administered and his pleasing manner of organization has materially assisted in the duties of my office.

In conclusion may I express to the Brethren of the First Masonic District my sincere thanks for the privilege of serving as District Deputy Grand Master for the past year. It has been a pleasant and instructive experience and has been made so by your hearty cooperation and support and kindly indulgence. New friendships

have been formed, old ones renewed and the many kindnesses extended to me will ever be a fond recollection.

Fraternally submitted,

HARVEY T. WATERS, D.D.G.M.
First Masonic District.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir:

I beg leave to submit my report as your District Deputy Grand Master in the Second Masonic District for the year 1938-39.

Owing to the good weather and late fall I was able to cover the district on good roads and with little trouble so that I was able to visit each lodge officially and most of them unofficially before winter set in. I made my official visits as follows:

Neepawa No. 24	September 13
Union No. 108	October 5
St. Andrews No. 116	October 10
McCreary No. 133	October 13
Assiniboine No. 7	October 17
Carberry No. 29	November 1
Gothic No. 75	November 2
Gladstone No. 11	November 14
Temple No. 49	December 20

On each of these visits Most Worshipful Sir, I was received as your representative with Masonic honors and hospitably entertained.

My visit to Neepawa happened to be on one of their nights when they had a special programme by their members from the land of the Shamrock, the entertainment being in charge of Winnipeg Artists. All their officers except one were present. There was no degree work but the business was conducted in a very efficient manner.

A feature of this meeting was a birthday presentation to three of their old members whose birthdays were in this month. There was a splendid attendance, one hundred and twenty members of the order being registered.

My visit to Union Lodge No. 108, Brookdale, was on the night following our district meeting. The attendance was small but the meeting was well conducted and general business handled with dispatch. This lodge district has suffered heavily of late from general economic conditions but the members are making a good job of holding it together and with a return of good times it should flourish.

I was unfortunate in visiting St. Andrews Lodge No. 116, to choose the night on which the L.O.L. were holding their district meeting. This caused a small attendance. I was requested on this visit to exemplify the Masters' rite for the instruction of the P.M.'s of the lodge. I was able to take with me on this visit Wor. Bro. D. J. Watters, to exemplify this work which he did in his usual excellent manner.

To McCreary, being our longest trip, I was unable to get very many to accompany me. There was not a large attendance at their meeting, but the members came from Kelwood to Ochre River and were very enthusiastic. There was no degree work but the officers performed their duties in excellent manner. I was permitted to make my official visit to Assiniboine Lodge on their annual P.M.'s night. All the offices being filled by P.M.'s, I witnessed the M.M. degree conferred by the P.M.'s in excellent manner. This lodge has a splendid temple and seems to be going ahead in fine shape.

My visit to Carberry Lodge, No. 29, was not marked by any special occasion. There was no degree work but the routine business was carried on in splendid form. This lodge has a number of new members and a bright future seems to be assured.

I visited my Mother Lodge, Gothic No. 75, on November 2. Gothic Lodge is having a hard time—no new members coming in and a number of promising young officers moving away so that for the last few years the offices have been filled by P.M.'s. These, however, are maintaining a high order of work and with a return to normal times the lodge should experience a renewed interest.

My visit to Gladstone Lodge No. 11 was the occasion of a visit by the Brethren of McCreary Lodge. There was a splendid attendance, the F.C. degree being conferred in the York rite by the Wor. Master in excellent form. This lodge has some new members, is well officered and in good working order.

On my official visit to Temple No. 49, I witnessed the F.C. degree exemplified by the W.M. assisted by the P.M.'s. This lodge is fortunate in having a staff of young and enthusiastic officers and several P.D.D.G.M.'s to instruct them. Under these conditions they cannot help but go ahead.

During December I was honored by being requested to install the officers in Gothic, Temple, Gladstone and Carberry lodges, which with the assistance of W. Bro. D. J. Watters, I was able to do.

The Annual District Meeting was held in Austin on October 4, when we were honored with the presence of the Most Wor. Grand Master and Suite, consisting of M. Wor. Bro. Harry Woods, R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell and R.W. Bro. John Gardiner. During the afternoon we were entertained by talks and addresses by Wor. Bro. D. Smith, R.W. Bros. Jas. McIntosh and J. P. Lawrie. We also had a splendid history of the Second Masonic District by the Father of Freemasonry in the Second Masonic District, R.W. Bro. Cairns. The meeting adjourned at 5.30. At 6.00 p.m., the members sat down to a sumptuous banquet provided by the W.A. of the Anglican church. After the usual toast list and programme were enjoyed the meeting was called to order at 8.00 p.m. The address of the evening was delivered by the Grand Master in his usual excellent form. It was well received and enjoyed and its high order indicated the capabilities of the man in whose hands we have this year placed the destiny of our Grand Lodge. M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, in his usual able style, on behalf of the Brethren of the District presented R.W. Bro. Caldwell with a P.D.D.G.M. Apron in token of their appreciation of services rendered.

M.W. Bro. Woods, R.W. Bro. Russell, Grand Secretary and R.W. Bro. Gardiner addressed the meeting which was closed in harmony at 10.30 p.m.

The statistical report shows that although our district has been extended to take in another lodge which has thirty-four members on its roll, our membership has only increased by one so that we have had a loss in members which is regrettable. To offset this adverse condition I have found that the lodges have reduced their arrearages of dues by $400.00 and increased their assets over liabilities by $1,079.00. The number of meetings held by the lodges were just the same as last year but the average attendance was down from 24.25 to 22.1.

In summing up I would say Masonry is not exactly flourishing in the district but it is at least holding its own and a return to better economic conditions should bring a great revival.

In conclusion I wish to thank the Brethren for the honor they have conferred on me, and you Most Worshipful Sir for confirming my election. I wish to express my appreciation of the help and cordiality I have received on all occasions and especially from my District Secretary W. Bro. R. Hay. My year of office has been one that will always live in my memory.

I have endeavored to carry out my duties to the best of my

ability and if I have contributed anything to the good of the order, I will feel that I have been amply repaid for the time and effort I have put forth, and I shall cherish in my memory this past year as the happiest Fraternal Year of my Masonic Life.

Fraternally submitted,

J. A. MORRIS, D.D.G.M.
Second Masonic District.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. The Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is with the greatest of pleasure I submit to you the report of my activities as District Deputy Grand Master for the Third Masonic District, for the year 1938-39.

The District Meeting was held at Glenboro on September 23rd, 1938, commencing at 3 p.m. The afternoon session was one of an informal nature, and after the opening exercises an address of welcome was given by W. Bro. J. H. Hamilton, of Glenboro Lodge No. 48. A most interesting and instructive address on "A Cavalcade to the Peace Gardens," was given by R.W. Bro. Charles Cannon, of Strathcona Lodge No. 117. A very fine banquet was served at 6 p.m., by the ladies of the Glenboro United Church, followed by several short and interesting toasts.

The evening session found the lodge room filled to capacity, and never in the history of our lodge was there felt better fraternal spirit. The addresses given by M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins, R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, and M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, were informative and inspiring, and created a lasting impression on the Brethren. District No. 3 felt that they had been more than honored by having such a splendid representation of Grand Lodge officers. R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, with his presence and instruction, greatly assisted in the success of the meeting. A pleasing feature of the meeting was the presentation of the Past District Deputy Grand Master's Apron to R.W. Bro. R. C. Parsons, in a very able manner, by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods.

I made my official visits to each Lodge in the District on the following dates:

Strathcona Lodge No. 117	August	9,	1938
Rathwell Lodge No. 87	October	4,	1938
Swan Lake Lodge No. 109	November	2,	1938
Treherne Lodge No. 51	November	4,	1938
Cypress Lodge No. 82	December	1,	1938
Wawanesa Lodge No. 67	December	5,	1938
Crescent Lodge No. 103	December	7,	1938
Holland Lodge No. 63	December	14,	1938
Glenboro Lodge No. 48	April	10,	1939

I also made other unofficial visits and was always received with a real spirit of friendliness and brotherly appreciation.

Along with several members of the Glenboro Lodge, I enjoyed the opportunity of accompanying Holland Lodge No. 63, on a visit to Tuscan Lodge No 44, at Bottineau, N.D. The Brethren across the line surely know how to entertain, and neglected nothing in making our visit a happy one. We enjoyed very much the witnessing of the Entered Apprentice Degree put on by W. Bro. Elliott, and the opportunity of meeting M.W. Bro. Frank Falkenstein.

It is with the deepest regret that I have to report the passing of R.W. Bro. Dr Wm. Mott, of Rathwell Lodge No. 87, who died October 20th. The funeral took place on October 22nd, at East Treherne cemetery. The Brethren of Masonic District No. 3 mourn the loss of a much loved friend.

I beg to report on the condition of Masonry in Masonic District No 3 as being flourishing. The attendance at all the Lodges is good, and in some cases better than it has been for some years previously. The Lodges all seemed to have the true spirit of Masonry, and have all made my term of office a very pleasant one. I want to take this opportunity of thanking them for the assistance and encouragement given me. I also want to thank the members of my own Lodge for the way they have stood by me on all my visits. The District Secretary, W. Bro. Ferg, accompanied me on most of my visits, and through the whole year has made my duties easier and more pleasant. I also wish to mention the cooperation of the Grand Secretary.

During the year 1938, the Treherne Lodge acquired a Masonic Home of their own, and I wish to congratulate them upon this accomplishment, as it will go a long way towards improving Masonry in their Lodge, and is something which every Lodge should aim to do.

In closng, may I again thank the Brethren of Masonic District No. 3 for conferring on me this high privilege of representing

them as District Deputy Grand Master, and I trust that I have been an honor to the Fraternity.

Fraternally submitted,

A. S. HAMES, D.D.G.M.
Third Masonic District.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I have the honor to submit to you Most Worshipful Sir, for your consideration, the report on the work and activities of the Fourth Masonic District during my term of office, now at a close.

First, I wish to express my sincere gratification for the great honor you so graciously conferred on me by confirming my appointment, and to the Brethren who so kindly nominated me to this office, my deepest appreciation, and I only hope that I have to some extent merited the confidence placed in me.

I have made an official visit to each of the seven Lodges in the District and have visited each Lodge at least once unofficially, some of them several times when circumstances permitted or at special invitation, I had no official reason for making more than one visit to a Lodge but I was so impressed with the welcome afforded me on every visit that I felt I must know the Brethren better and fraternize with them as much as possible. The fact that Manitou Lodge No. 30 and Crystal Lodge No. 71, Mound Lodge No. 118 and Cartwright Lodge No. 150 met on conflicting nights curtailed the number of visits I was able to make to these Lodges but I am happy to report that Manitou Lodge No. 30 have changed their night so as not to conflict with Crystal Lodge No. 71. I am of the opinion that no two Lodges in a District should meet on the same night as it interferes with the interchange of visits, the most important factor in the strength and unity of a District.

In all, I have travelled just over 2500 miles, since, my appointment, not including my two visits to the Grand Lodge Communications, it is in this manner that I have tried, to some extent, to show my appreciation to the Brethren.

I have found the Master and Officers of each Lodge, with few exceptions, well skilled, particularly in handling the affairs of the Lodge, I noticed that on my first visit the officers seemed ill at ease at the presence of their District Deputy Grand Master and I decided a fair opinion cannot be arrived at in one visit but on returning to the Lodge on other occasions I noticed in each case that the officers officiated in a manner that is a credit to the Fourth Masonic District.

There were 14 Entered Apprentice, 15 Fellow Craft, and 15 Master Mason, a total of 44 degrees conferred in the Fourth Masonic District in 1938, of which I witnessed 22, 7 Entered Apprentice, 7 Fellow Craft, and 8 Master Mason. I regret that there are still a few Lodges allowing their Worshipful Masters to pass through the chairs without conferring at least one of the three degrees, relying on their Past Masters to do their work for them, I believe the trouble begins by the Junior Warden not starting off by learning the work before he becomes Master of the Lodge, lack of candidates should be no excuse for not learning the three degrees which is the bounden duty of every Worshipful Master. It is very commendable that the Past Masters assist the Worshipful Master in conferring degrees but every Worshipful Master should at least confer that part of each degree until the candidate is obligated at the Altar. It was especially noted that all candidates in the degree witnessed were exceptionally well posted for their examination and it was very gratifying to hear the Junior and Senior Wardens give their respective lectures themselves.

I also attended three Installations of Officers, two Past Masters' Nights, one Church Parade, two District Meetings and two Social Evenings. I was particularly impressed by the number of visitors attending some of our Lodges and I cannot pass this opportunity of thanking the Winnipeg Lodges for the interest they display by visiting our country Lodges in a body, I attended three such meetings and little do they realize the Spirit of Good Will and Encouragement they leave behind.

At this time I would like to deal briefly with the change in Masonic District Boundaries in respect to the Fourth Masonic District, I have a great deal of personal respect for the Committee who made the distribution which to me is ideal. Belmont Lodge No. 13 and Manitou Lodge No 30, formerly in District No. 4, have again been added and make a very welcome addition to our District. I regret the loss of Deloraine Lodge No. 40, and Waskada Lodge No. 149, which has since surrender its charter, but again I say,

"Welcome! Belmont and Manitou."

We now have a membership of 394 with an increase for the year of twenty-four and a decrease of the same number, so we are at

least holding our own. We mourn the loss, through death, of six of our Brethren who have been raised to that Grand Lodge on High by the Great Architect and may we pay tribute to their memory by saying "Peace, Perfect Peace."

The average attendance of members at meetings during the year was 33.82%, a very commendable showing.

Belmont Lodge No. 13 attained the ambition of every Masonic Lodge by the acquisition of a Lodge room all to themselves and the members are to be congratulated on the individual work they have done toward the furnishing and finishing.

THE DISTRICT MEETING

The District Meeting of the Fourth Masonic District was held in the Town Hall, Killarney, Manitoba, September 22nd, 1938, with the afternoon meeting at 2.30 p.m., and the evening meeting at 8 p.m. There were 99 members present an average of 25.12% of the membership of the District, and 35 visitors, a grand total of 134 registered. Every Lodge in the District was represented by the Worshipful Master and a goodly number of Officers and Brethren, the Worshipful Masters acting as Officers for the meeting.

The Afternoon Meeting was well attended, the address of welcome was given by Rt.W. Bro. W. J. Sanders, of Killarney Lodge No. 50 and was particularly directed to our two new Lodges, Belmont Lodge No. 13 and Manitou Lodge No. 30. The highlight of the afternoon was the address of our esteemed Junior Grand Warden, Rt. W. Bro. Rev. George R. Calvert, who dealt very plainly with the European Crisis. The Grand Secretary, Rt. W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, followed with a short Lodge of Instruction which should be a feature of every District Meeting. At 6.00 p.m., the meeting was adjourned for the banquet where the customary toasts were proposed and responded to.

The Evening Meeting was opened with the Reception of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Robert Hawkins and Grand Lodge Officers whe were received with Grand Honors. I am most deeply grateful to the following Grand Lodge Officers who so willingly assisted in making our meeting such an outstanding success:

M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins, Grand Master.
Rt. W. Bro. J. J. (Jim) Henderson, Senior Grand Warden.
Rt. W. Bro. Rev. George R. Calvert, Junior Grand Warden.
Rt. W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary.
Rt. W. Bro. Rev. Harry Sherstone, Grand Chaplain.
M.W. Bro. William Douglas, Past Grand Master, 1929.

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, Past Grand Master, 1936.
M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd, Past Grand Master, 1937.

The reception was followed by the presentation of a beautiful Past District Deputy Grand Masters' Apron to Rt. W. Bro. Dr. T. R. Corbett, of Crystal Lodge No. 71, by Rt. W. Bro. M. S. Watson, of Deloraine Lodge No. 40, on behalf of the District.

The outstanding event of the District Meeting was the eloquent address given by you Most Worshipful Sir from which we derived so much profit and so much food for thought. The meeting closed at 11.00 p.m.

I have tried, during my term of office, in every day life and in my visitations, to permeate an atmosphere of cooperation among the Brethren, I have emphasized the necessity of inter-visitation in order to strengthen our District, arouse the feeling of Good-Fellowship and lend a hand to a Lodge, who perhaps through no fault of their own, are not enjoying the prosperity of others, but in all probability need only that helping hand and a little consideration by their neighbors, I would like to see each Lodge in the District make plans to visit every other Lodge in the District at least once a year, thereby creating that cooperation and good-fellowship so badly needed today, although I find a very good feeling of harmonious good will prevails throughout the District and the greatest respect and devotion to you as our Grand Master and to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The following is a record of the dates of my Official visits:

1. Manitou Lodge No. 30 ..... October 4
2. Belmont Lodge No. 13 ..... October 20
3. Doric Lodge No. 36 ..... October 28
4. Crystal Lodge No. 71 ..... November 1
5. Mound Lodge No. 118 ..... November 3
6. Killarney Lodge No. 50 ..... November 14
7. Cartwright Lodge No. 150 ..... December 1

To the Brethren who received me on my visitations and the Brethren who accompanied me, I owe a debt of gratitude, particularly to my very good friend Rt. W. Bro. Jack Sanders I offer my feeble thanks, he has been more to me than a friend and guide and his advice and sound judgement have been my inspiration.

In closing permit me to again express my sincere thanks for the great honor you have conferred on me. I have sincerely enjoyed my association with the Grand Lodge and the Craft as your representative, I have made so many good friends and have been so royally received that it has left a lasting impression on me that will continue to remain a lasting memorial to the small service I

have been able to render to yourself and my Brethren of the Fourth Masonic District, and it is with the deepest feeling of regret that I now close my report and my task and once more take my seat among the Brethren.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN C. BATE, District Deputy Grand Master,
Fourth Masonic District.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To The M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit to you a report of my activities as District Deputy Grand Master of the Fifth Masonic district.

During the year I visited the thirteen lodges officially on the following:

Rivers No. 115	September 26
Binscarth No. 101	September 27
Strathclair No. 106	October 3
Shellmouth No. 129	October 6
Russell No. 62	October 11
Shoal Lake No. 92	October 12
Prince of Wales No. 14	October 13
Foxwarren No. 152	October 19
Harmony No. 142	October 20
Miniota No. 102	October 27
Birtle No. 39	November 1
Hamiota No. 84	April 24
Rapid City No. 15	May 2

Besides these official visits I had the opportunity and real pleasure of visiting a number of the lodges a second time to witness degree work. In each case I was received and welcomed in a truly Masonic manner, befitting the honor and dignity of the office as your representative.

The condition of Freemasonry in the Fifth Masonic District is truly Masonic, a wonderful spirit of harmony exists. No sign of discord or friction is to be found in any of the lodges—the officers are well-skilled, earnest and conscientious in their work, careful in detail and thorough in conferring degrees, preparation of

candidates and other ritualistic work. The officers are, in most cases, ably assisted by the Past Masters, who are giving liberally of their time, energy and experience, especially in the preparation of candidates.

Only a few of the lodges have study clubs, but all the lodges have special addresses on Masonic subjects prepared and given by local members with good results. Lately a number of the lodges have featured "Quiz" programmes.

The question of meeting nights has been before the district for years. Many of the lodges, meeting on the same night, proved a real handicap to a District Deputy Grand Master in arranging his official visit and inter-lodge visiting was, in many cases, out of the question. At the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge I was instructed to arrange and submit a schedule of meeting nights to the lodges for their approval. With the hearty cooperation of the lodges this new schedule has been adopted and is now in operation. Under this new Order it is possible for the District Deputy Grand Master to visit all the lodges in minimum time and we believe should also prove a wonderful stimulus to inter-lodge visiting.

The District Meeting was held in Hamiota, September 14th, with an attendance of 114. All lodges but two were represented. The sitting masters acting as officers.

At the afternoon session two addresses were given. The first "Is Freemasonry, as a fraternal society, losing its appeal," was given by one of our honored Past District Deputy Grand Masters, R.W. Bro. L. Armit, of Foxwarren. Bro. Armit has been a member of the craft for over forty years. His observations and his personal experiences made his address especially interesting. The second address, "Has Freemasonry anything to offer the young man of today," was given by Brother A. E. Smith, of Rapid City, a member of less than one year's standing. This address was a master-piece, one that would have done credit to any member of many years' experience.

The main address at the evening meeting was, of course, given by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Bro. R. Hawkins. His address "Masonic standards as principles for every day life," was most instructive and inspiring and left a lasting impression.

Other Grand Lodge Officers present were:

R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson.....Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell.....Grand Secretary
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods.....Past Grand Master

Each gave splendid addresses dealing particularly with that part of the Grand Lodge work over which he has supervision.

We were also pleased to welcome as our guests:

R.W. Bro. G. Morrison.....D.D.G.M. Sixth Masonic Dist,
R.W. Bro. O. M. McKay.D.D.G.M. Seventh Masonic Dist.

The presentation of a Past District Deputy Grand Master's regalia was made to R.W. Bro. G. Eakins by R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, on behalf of the Brethren of the Fifth Masonic District in appreciation of his valuable services during the preceding Masonic year.

The selection of a nominee, for the office of District Deputy Grand Master, to be submitted to the District meeting held during annual communication of the Grand Lodge, resulted in the nomination of W. Bro. F. C. Barber, of Birtle.

In conclusion I wish to express my thanks to you, Most Worshipful Grand Master and to the members of the Fifth Masonic District for the honor you conferred on me one year ago. I am deeply grateful for the privilege of serving you. It has been a year of happy Masonic experiences, a year that I am deeply conscious of the fact that I have received far more than I have been able to give. The renewing of old acquaintances, the broadening of my Masonic friendships, the opportunities to express fraternal truths that for many years have been very dear to me and the wealth of knowledge I have received in return has made this a year never to be forgotten.

I also wish to express my appreciation to the Officers and members of the thirteen lodges who did all in their power to make my visits pleasant and enjoyable. To the members of my own lodge, and to W. Bro. C. G. Webb, District Secretary in particular, I tender my grateful thanks for their loyal support which in no small measure contributed to whatever degree or success my efforts have attained.

Fraternally submitted,

WM. DICK,
D.D.G.M. Fifth Masonic District.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report as District Deputy Grand Master for the Sixth Masonic District for the year 1938-1939.

At this time may I be permitted to express to you my thanks and appreciation for the honor and privilege of serving as your representative during the year just closing. This past year has been a very happy one for me in serving you as above and especially has it been so from the fact that during this year a very notable event has occurred in the fact that our Gracious King and Queen have been visiting the Dominion of Canada and this Grand Jurisdiction. This is an event that will long be remembered by us all.

After my Installation last June my first official act was the appointment of District Officers, W. Bro. M. Render, as District Secretary, and R.W. Bro. Rev. J. W. Anderson, as District Chaplain. The first meeting of importance in the District was the District Meeting which was held in Hartney, on Wednesday, September 21st, commencing at 3.00 p.m. At this meeting there was registered 128 members of the Sixth Masonic District and 26 visitors representing 16 different Lodges. It was very gratifying to me to have every officer selected for this meeting present and acting.

The Reports presented to the meeting on the condition and activities of the different Lodges were very encouraging. In order that uniform reports of each Lodge in the District be available for the District Meeting each year the following resolution was regularly presented and passed: That the District Secretary for each year be instructed to notify each Lodge in the District to have a report prepared for presentation at the District Meeting, on its Condition and Activities, and either the Worshipful Master or the Secretary be responsible for presentation of same. This should give a more accurate picture of each Lodge for consideration of the meeting. R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, Senior Grand Warden gave a very interesting and instructive talk to the members dealing with the Penalties of the different Degrees.

When the meeting reconvened after the banquet the following Grand Lodge Officers were officially presented and received:

M. W. Bro. R. Hawkins, Grand Master.
M. W. Bro. Harry Woods, Past Grand Master.
M. W. Bro. J. C. W. Reid, Past Grand Master.
R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, Senior Grand Warden.
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary.
R.W. Bro. J. Bate, D.D.G.M. 6th Masonic District.
R.W. Bro. O. McKay, D.D.G.M. 7th Masonic District.

R.W. Bro. W. R. Cosgrove, past D.D.G.M., on behalf of the 6th Masonic District presented R.W. Bro. A. K. Cates, I.P.D.D.G.M. with an Apron, emblematic of the Office. The address of the meeting was then presented by the M.W. The Grand Master and was of a very high order and was thoroughly

enjoyed by all present. M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, P.G.M. addressed the meeting reminding the Brethren of the necessity of keeping the Benevolent Fund up so that during times of lower interest rates there might be sufficient funds to provide for those dependent on same. Short addresses were given by other distinguished Brethren.

VISITATIONS

During my year in office I have visited each of the Lodges in the District at least twice, once officially and once as a follow-up, and have on all occasions been received and accorded the very highest of Masonic Receptions and Honors. At each of these meetings I have endeavored to address the Brethren on subjects of Masonry vital to the Lodges and of interest to the members.

The dates of my District visits were as follows:

Lodge	Official	Unofficial
Elgin No. 86	Oct. 11, 1938	May 9, 1939
Deloraine No. 40	Nov. 2, 1938	May 3, 1939
Napinka No. 77	Nov. 3, 1938	May 4, 1939
Oriental No. 54	Nov. 4, 1938	May 5, 1939
Reston No. 104	Nov. 10, 1938	April 28, 1939
Glenwood No. 27	Nov. 11, 1938	May 12, 1939
Kilwinning No. 110	Nov. 14, 1938	May 8, 1939
Hartney No. 52	April 4, 1939	May 2, 1939

All the Lodges are governed by capable and enthusiastic officers and are alive to the fact that to keep the membership and attendance as it should be the meetings have to be made interesting and attractive. To this end most of the Lodges have study club activities when no degree work is on hand.

At the beginning of my term of office Deloraine Lodge No. 40 was added to the Sixth Masonic District and I was very pleased to extend a warm welcome to these good Brethren. This addition makes the Sixth Masonic District quite compact, each Lodge being fairly accessible from any of the others. On April 28th last, I attended International Night at Reston. The Brethren of Reston Lodge are to be congratulated on having been instrumental in having this yearly meeting develop to its present standing on both sides of the International Boundary. About 200 Masons were present at this meeting.

VISITATIONS OUTSIDE SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

On September 14th last, I attended the meeting of Fifth Masonic District in Hamiota.

On October 6th, the meeting of Seventh Masonic District at Alexander.

On May 17th, in company with several Brethren from Hartney Lodge, I visited the Virden Brethren who were celebrating the Golden Jubilee Anniversary of the founding of Lebanon Lodge.

On May 18th, I journeyed to Dauphin, Man., to be present at the celebration of the Fortieth Anniversary of Vermillion Lodge No. 68, where the M.W. The Grand Master resides and who was the special guest of honor. There was a large gathering and very fine Masonic address given. From the Statistical report of this District I find there is a membership of 576 as at December 31st last, an increase of 17 over 1937, at December 31st, 1938.

Taking into consideration that on the amalgamation of Waskada and Deloraine Lodges there were 17 affiliations from the former to the latter; this leaves the district even as far as initiations and restorations on one side, and suspensions, dimits, and deaths on the other side.

In conclusion I wish to express my appreciation to the Brethren of the District for the support and co-operation given and to the Brethren who accompanied me on my visits, also to my Secretary for the valuable assistance rendered me and to all my Brethren, I wish to thank you. It has been a great pleasure and privilege to serve you one and all.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE MORRISON,
D.D.G.M. Sixth Masonic District.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your approval, and consideration, my report as District Deputy Grand Master for the Seventh Masonic District for the year 1938 and 1939. It has been a great privilege and afforded me much pleasure to act as your representative during the past year, and I have endeavored to carry out the duties of my office to the best of my limited ability. The co-operation and welcome extended to me during the past year, have greatly assisted me in the discharge of my duties. During the term of my office, I have officially visited each Lodge in the District and have unofficially visited the most of the Lodges again.

The dates of the Official visits were as follows:

Lansdowne No. 107, Griswold .... November 2, 1938
Oak Lake No. 44, Oak Lake ..... November 3, 1938
Lebanon No. 43, Virden, ... November 1, 1938
Elkhorn No. 74, Elkhorn ..... November 7, 1938
Brandon No. 19, Brandon ..... February 14, 1939
Tweed No. 113, Brandon ..... March 21, 1939
Composite No. 64, Alexander ..... April 27, 1939

Throughout the District I found the Lodges were maintaining a high standard of efficiency, and I was well pleased with the degrees witnessed. On each occasion I was fittingly received as your representative, and on no occasion did I have to go without a goodly number of the Brethren from my Home Lodge, Composite No. 64, and always a number of Brethren from the other lodges in the district. During my official visits I have tried to impress upon the Brethren the importance of living up to some of the teachings of Freemasonry, and be an influence for good in the communities in which they live, and help as individuals to maintain those principles of Democracy, which we as citizens of Canada, hold so dear.

The Annual District meeting was held in Alexander, Friday, October the 7th, 1938, with registered attendance of ninety-nine. All Lodges in the District were represented, also Brethren from Districts Five and Six. The following Grand Lodge officers: M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins, Grand Master; M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, M.W. Bro. Wm. Fenwick, M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, M.W. Bro. George Hunter, R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. James Henderson, Grand Senior Warden, and R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary. The visitors were welcomed by R.W. Bro. D. A. Yeomans, following which the regular business of the meeting was proceeded with, including nominations for the next District Deputy. A Masonic Quiz was conducted by R.W. Bro. Jas. Henderson, which proved very interesting and instructive. The afternoon session was closed with an address given by Rev. Bro. S. J. Parsons, of Brandon, entited "Religious Aspect of Masonry" and was much appreciated by all present. This was followed by a banquet which was held in the United church parlors, followed by the usual toasts, and a short programme. The evening session was spent with reception of M.W. Grand Master Robert Hawkins, and Grand Lodge officers, who accompanied him, and were presented by R.W. Bro. F. K. Purdie. Following this the Regalia was presented, Past D.D.G.M. R. C. Evans by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods.

The Grand Master then addressed the meeting, taking as his subject. "Value of Masonry to humanity." The Brethren were counseled to heed more the things of the Spirit, going forward with hope and courage. The quiet and convincing manner of the Grand Master was very impressive, leaving a lasting impression

on the gathering, Deputy Grand Master W. D. Lawrence, M.W. Bro. Geo. Hunter and M.W. Bro. Harry Woods also addressed the gathering, in their usual efficient manner. Other unofficial duties performed were:

June 21st, visited Tweed Lodge and witnessed the Master Mason's Degree. September 13th, visited Brandon Lodge No. 19, and witnessed the Master Mason's Degree. Attended the Grand Master on both his visits to the Fifth and Sixth Masonic Districts, on the occasion of their Annual District meeting held at Hartney and Hamiota respectively. Visited Glenwood Lodge at Souris, on the occasion of the official visits of D.D.G.M. Bro. Morrison, and witnessed Tweed Lodge of Brandon confer the Master Mason Degree.

March 7th, 1939. While in Yale, Michigan, I joined Brockway Lodge No. 316, to pay a fraternal visit to Victoria Lodge at Sarnia, Ontario, and there as a member of Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and as a Brother visitor from the United States, I had the pleasure of bringings greetings from the Seventh Masonic District to a Lodge in the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario.)

March 9th, visited Brockway Lodge No. 316, Yale, Michigan, being a Canadian I was extended the warmest hospitality.

I am sorry to inform you, Sir, of the great loss this district has sustained during my term of office, in the passing of R.W. Bro. Davis, a Past District Deputy Grand Master, and secretary of Lebanon Lodge No. 43 Virden, who passed to his reward April 22nd, 1939.

As a climax to a very pleasant year I attended the celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of Lebanon Lodge, Virden, May 17th, 1939. This was a most wonderful gathering and was well attended by all Lodges, from the Western part of Manitoba. R.W. Bro. Henderson very ably represented the Grand Master who was unable to attend.

The kindness and cooperation shown by the Brethren of the Seventh Masonic District has been wonderful and I wish to thank these Brethren, for the kindly and courteous reception I received when on my official visits.

I desire at this time to offer my sincere thanks to the District Secretary W. Bro. J. C. Lundy, for his untiring efforts, and also the Brethren of my own Lodge Composite No. 64, for the wonderful help they have been to me in the past year. This year will be one of pleasant memories, and I can only thank the Brethren for

the honor they have conferred upon me, and hope I have merited this honor in some small degree.

Fraternally submitted,

OSWALD M. McKAY, D.D.G.M.
Seventh Masonic District.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Carman, Man., June, 1938.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master:

In submitting the report which I have the honor to give you regarding my year as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 8 of your Grand Lodge, I wish first to thank you for confirming my nomination and election to this office and to assure you that I have appreciated and enjoyed the opportunity of representing you among the Brethren of the Eighth District.

I have been received with the warmest cordiality on my official visits to our constituent lodges and it is a pleasure for me to be able to report that in general there is a very healthy spirit of fraternity found in them. As might be expected there are one or two cases in which conditions might be better, as I have indicated on my returns to the Grand Secretary.

I wish to thank you and your officers of the Grand Lodge for the cooperation and assistance you have given me, at our District Meeting and otherwise, during the year; also to congratulate you on the success and happy conditions generally attending your year as Grand Master.

The dates on which I made my official visits to the Lodges of the Eighth District are:

Shiloh No. 70	October 6, 1938
Penza No. 120	October 11, 1938
Emerson No. 6	October 20, 1938
King Solomon No. 6	November 1, 1938
East Star No. 55,	November 3, 1938
Midlothian No. 90	November 7, 1938
Carman No. 155	May 16, 1939
Patricia No. 125	May 31, 1939

In closing may I suggest in the interests of more successful work by your District Deputies, that the various Districts, when electing

their District Deputy Grand Master at their annual District Meeting, should at the same time make their choice of the District Deputy for the following year, designating him as a Vice-Deputy, in order that he might accompany the District Deputy Grand Master on his official visits and thus learn what will be expected of him later on. At present the nomination is made in some districts at the semi-annual district meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

N. R. PICKELL,
District Deputy Grand Master 1938-1939,
Eighth Masonic District.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your approval my report on the condition of Freemasonry, in the Ninth Masonic District, during my term as District Deputy Grand Master.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, in Grandview, on October 12th, 1938. There was a registration of 94, all Lodges in the District being well represented. The Grand Lodge was represented by M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins, Grand Master, R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, Senior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary, and M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, Past Grand Master. All of these distinguished Brethren brought instructive and inspiring messages, which were deeply appreciated by all Brethren present. During the evening a memorial service, in remembrance of the Brethren who had been called to the Grand Lodge on High, was held. A very impressive eulogy was delivered by R.W. Bro. J. N. McFadden. Another feature of the evening was the presentation of a P.D.D.G.M. Apron to R.W. Bro. E. G. Greenaway, the presentation being made by R.W. Bro. John Gardner. During the refreshment hour all Brethren were guests at a banquet at which 110 were seated

During my term of office I visited officially, every Lodge in the District, as follows:

Roblin No. 122, Roblin	October 3, 1938
Favel No. 126, Minitonas	October 4, 1938
Prince Arthur No. 105, Swan River ..	October 6, 1938

Robbie Burns, No. 100, Gilbert Plains .. Nov. 9, 1938
Jubilee No. 147, Bowsman ..... Nov. 10, 1938
Vermillion No. 68, Dauphin ..... December 6, 1938
Hiram, No. 94, Grandview ..... April 27, 1939
Victory No. 128, Benito ..... May 3, 1939

On all occasions I was cordially received and warmly welcomed, and accorded the honors which the representative of your office merits.

In addition to the above I made unofficial visits to a number of the lodges, some of them several times. Among outstanding meetings at which I was present, was the occasion on which the Brethren of Vermillion Lodge presented the Brethren of Roblin Lodge with a Master's Chair, and the occasion of the Fortieth Anniversary of Freemasonry in Vermillion Lodge. I also visited Robbie Burns Lodge, on the occasion of the Installation of Officers, at which I had the pleasure of conferring the Past Master's Degree. I am pleased to state that Roblin Lodge reached another milestone in their Masonic history when they completed the purchase of a new home in which they are now comfortably settled. This will add to both the interest and efficiency of this Lodge.

I feel that I must refer to the wonderful spirit of Freemasonry that exists among the Lodges which were separated from the Eleventh Masonic District. In every case I found the members of these lodges determined to make the new district a success. On each visit that I made to one of these lodges, I was greeted by a large number of Brethren from the other lodges, particularly Prince Arthur Lodge, Swan River.

I regret that on only one of my visits I witnessed any degree work. That exception was in Hiram Lodge. But on every visit I found the opening and closing ceremonies well performed. From my survey I have concluded that Freemasonry will continue to flourish in the Ninth Masonic District, and that it will rapidly become one of the leading districts in this jurisdiction. I would remind the Brethren that this is now a large district. I travelled approximately 1200 miles in my official capacity. It is unfortunate that several lodges call off during the summer months, which is the time that is most suitable for visiting. It may be necessary for my successor to make arrangements for emergent meetings during these months in order that the District may be served most efficiently.

In conclusion I would say that I have endeavored to carry out my duties to the best of my ability. I wish to express my appreciation to the Brethren of the District who accompanied me on my official visits, particularly the Brethren of Hiram Lodge, who turned out in large numbers on every occasion. I wish particularly to thank W. Bro. J. H. Cameron, District Secretary, who

accompanied me on all my visits, and assisted me in every way possible. The experience has been a memorable one, and I will always be grateful to the Brethren in electing me to this high office, and to you Most Worshipful Grand Master, for confirming my appointment. If I have been of service in promoting the cause of Freemasonry in the Ninth Masonic District, I am amply rewarded.

Fraternally submitted,

N. W. BOWES, D.D.G.M.,
Ninth Masonic District.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit to you for your consideration and approval my report as District Deputy Grand Master for the Tenth Masonic District for the year 1938-39.

I have visited each lodge in the District at least once during my term of office and most of the lodges twice. The dates of my official visits to the lodges of the district were as follows:

Stonewall No. 12	August 12, 1938
Ophir No. 112	September 2, 1938
Pine Falls No. 154	September 9, 1938
Lisgar No. 2	September 20, 1938
Transcona No. 123	October 7, 1938
Seven Oaks No. 148	October 14, 1938
Kildonan No. 131	November 8, 1938
The Dormer No. 151	December 6, 1938
Stony Mountain No. 134	December 7, 1938
Manitouwapa U.D. (Institution)	May 12, 1939

The formation of New Districts brings new friendships and carries with us happy memories of former friendships, but modern transportation facilities will still further widen and enhance interchange of fraternal visits between and among the lodges of our Grand Jurisdiction. After many years of discussion the new alignment of districts was drawn up, and I had the assurance of many lodges that they were well satisfied with the change. I hope that the present arrangement of Districts will be given a further trial.

I also had the privilege of visiting several lodges in Districts No. 1, and 12, where I was received very cordially and enjoyed their hospitality.

I entered on my year of office with a deep sense of humility and a feeling of responsibility to those who had placed their confidence in me, and I trust that in some measure I have been of service to the Brethren, but I can never repay them for what I have gained from their ministrations to me. To you, M.W. Sir, more especially I wish to tender my gratitude.

I must also acknowledge the inspiration and encouragement received from R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset, District Chaplain, W. Bro. H. W. Elwell, District Secretary, who also filled the office of District Treasurer, M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, and R.W. Bro. Rev. J. S. Miller, D.D. I would further mention the Brethren of Stony Mountain Lodge who accompanied me on my visits, and W. Bro. T. Clayton, who accompanied me wherever I went. To many others I am indebted for expressions of loyalty to you as Grand Master and to our Noble Order.

During the first quarter of this calendar year, I was practically snow-bound, which was disappointing to me, owing to the difficulty of making visits to the lodges.

Stony Mountain has a number of promising young officers, and I believe we will weather the storm. A large turnout at Stony Mountain Lodge for the installation of officers on December 7th, 1938, received me on my official visit. It was a great pleasure to me to be so well received by my own lodge and to be accompanied by some P.D.D.G.M.'s on this occasion. There is a silver lining to every cloud.

The Annual District Meeting was held in the school auditorium at Stony Mountain on August 30th, 1938. All the lodges of the district were represented with one exception, and expressions of regret were received from the latter.

In the afternoon session there was a considerable amount of routine business to attend to. We then enjoyed an address given by R.W. Bro. Rev. J. S. Miller, D.D., the subject being: "Ancient, Free and Accepted."

In the evening session the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins was received, accompanied by several Grand Lodge Officers.

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods gave an address on the "Benevolent Fund."

The M.W. the Grand Master gave an address on "The Genius, Philosophy, Tenets and Values of Freemasonry," for which we felt deeply grateful and, I trust, we showed due appreciation.

Addresses were also given by R.W. Bro. C. E. Somerset, R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Deputy Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell. On behalf of the Brethren, who were present, let me place on this record, our sincere thanks to you and the Brethren named. I hope that we, and also those who were unable to be present, realize something of the spirit of self-sacrifice and loyalty to the Craft, which takes you, and those who accompany you, to all parts of the Grand Jurisdiction of Manitoba, and beyond it.

I always admire the active interest taken in the welfare of the Craft by the Past Grand Masters. We should emulate their example by seeking to use our experience in various offices to enable us to become more extensively serviceable to our Brethren.

I have to report to you very favorably on the work of each Master and Secretary in this district. To the other officers of each Lodge I endeavored to point out the importance of honoring the office by giving it of their best, so that their training might be complete when they succeed to higher duties.

On April 21st, 1939, the Twenty-fifth Anniversary celebration of the formation of Transcona Lodge No. 123 was held in their lodge room at Transcona, with the Worshipful Master in the chair. The Sitting Masters of all lodges in the First, Tenth, and Twelfth Masonic Districts were guests. R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Deputy Grand Master, was received in due form as your representative. He was accompanied by other Grand Lodge Officers including R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters, R.W. Bro. J. J. Sinclair, and myself, as representatives of the above mentioned Districts. Presentations were made to the three principal officers and their secretary of the lodge. Suitable responses were made. R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence gave an inspiring address on "Two Hundred Years of Masonry in Canada." W. Bro. John M. Fowlis, W.M., is to be congratulated for a suitable brochure on "Transcona Lodge No. 123, 1914 to 1939," and also I congratulate his officers, members, and their ladies for a very successful celebration and banquet.

Among my many pleasant experiences while in office I must mention the formation and institution of Manitouwapa Lodge, U.D. at Moosehorn. I have been in close touch for some years with most of the brethren who formed this lodge.

They were set to work on May 12th. The foundation stone was well and truly laid at this ceremony of instituting the lodge, as may be noted by mentioning those who took part and performed the work.

A detailed account of the ceremony of institution would be too lengthy for this report, and although it would be very interesting reading for the Proceedings of the M.W. Grand Lodge, I will content myself with a few observations. With M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, conducting the ceremony on your behalf, M.W. Sir, the chairs were filled by the Past Grand Masters, and the Grand Lodge Officers who were present on this occasion.

I wish to mention also the very worthy labors of the officers and members of Manitouwapa Lodge U.D., in their work of preparation and the assistance rendered by their ladies. Acknowledgment and gratitude were tendered by the W.M. Bro. Gelmon, to the lodges of the Grand Jurisdiction who made presentations of valuable furniture. A set of "working tools" was presented from the members of Stonewall Lodge No. 12 by their Worshipful Master. It was Stonewall Lodge No. 12 who had endorsed their petition. About thirteen lodges were represented at this gathering.

A message was radioed to Their Most Gracious Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, to the R.M.S. Empress of Australia, at Sea, at 2.55 a.m., May 13th, 1939.

> "Manitouwapa Lodge U.D., A.F. &. A.M., G.R.M., newly instituted at Moosehorn, Manitoba, on this the second anniversary of Your Majesties Coronation, assures Your Majesties of its loyal allegiance and its respectful wishes for Your Majesties happiness and enjoyment on your visit to our Dominion."

I also wish to add that it was very inspiring to observe the whole-hearted cooperation of all concerned with the New Lodge, and that this augurs well for the future of Freemasonry in this part of our Grand Jurisdiction. Our prayer is, "May the favor of the blessing of the Almighty Father of the Universe rest upon all their regular assemblies." Several addresses were given and they were of outstanding merit and were greatly appreciated. "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver." To M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, who instituted the New Lodge, and also to M.W. Bro. J. T. Boyd, who gave valuable assistance, must be given much credit in this happy event.

During my year of office and particularly upon the occasion of my official visits, I have encouraged those who are interested in Masonic Study as a means of increasing their interest in the spiritual value of Freemasonry. I also made mention of tolerance towards our fellow-members; value of this historical register; the value of a lodge library; the duty of each officer and member to do his part well; attendance at Grand Lodge Communication; and above all to maintain the tenets of our profession.

One feature, that might be corrected to advantage in some lodge meetings, is that of having too many lodges on the same evening

for a fraternal visit. The time is too short to do justice to so many visitors in one evening.

I was favorably impressed at the manner in which the officers performed their various duties in all the lodges. There were a considerable number of fraternal visits exchanged and a friendly spirit was apparent generally.

I wish to thank the Worshipful Masters, Officers, and Brethren of the Tenth Masonic District for receiving me with every courtesy and consideration as your representative.

To you, M.W. Sir, and to them, let me again express my appreciation, and if anything has been done to advance our cause and purpose, I feel that I, myself, have gained the most.

Fraternally submitted,

J. S .WILSON, D.D.G.M.,
Tenth Masonic District.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members, of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba:

Brethren:

It is in a spirit of optimism, gratitude and humility that I submit my report for Masonic District No. 12 for the year 1938-1939. Of optimism because of a re-awakening of interest among members of the Craft from the apprentice to the most exalted official. Of gratitude because of the many worthy and noble acts I have witnessed, indicative of self sacrifice and unfaltering devotion, of humility because of my own limitations in the presence of so great an opportunity. My experience has been rich in its revelation of the possibilities that lie before us as loyal and patriotic craftsmen in building up a higher civilization with a better understanding between all the peoples who make up the citizenship of this great land of ours. This we can do if our own house is in order, and the proper emphasis placed on every individual within it, for the individual must never be overlooked in Masonry in favor of any mass formation. At no time in the past did our task as Masons need greater courage and determination than today. As we have often heard in recent years subversive influences are at work, and boldly at work in other lands, and perhaps to a lesser extent in our own. May we not hope that this is but a passing phase, which a settlement of prevailing conditions in a disturbed

world will adjust. Vigilance however must be our watchword, and we must not allow ourselves to be lulled into any false security. As our Gracious Sovereign, who himself is a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, said in his Empire radio address from Winnipeg, "It is only by adding to the spiritual dignity and material happiness of human life that we can claim to be of service to our people and to the world." This Brethren is the path of duty because it embraces the cardinal virtues of faith, hope and love. In other words the foundation of Masonic belief.

Following the custom established long years ago I visited all the lodges in my Jurisdiction officially, and several of them on occasion informally. The dates of my official visits were:

Fort Garry No. 130	October 12, 1938
Fort Osborne No. 144	October 18, 1938
Mount Sinia No. 143	October 27, 1938
Sturgeon Creek No. 145	November 7, 1938
Tuscan No. 141	November 8, 1938
Lord Selkirk No. 137	November 9, 1938
Beaver No. 139	November 10, 1938
Fidelity No. 146	November 18, 1938
Capitol No. 136	January 6, 1939
Windsor No. 138	February 13, 1939
Meridian No. 140	February 16, 1939

To sum up the impressions I have gathered is but to say that, in my opinion, the Craft is sound, solid and invincible in District No. 12. There is a fine spirit of earnestness, and a deep sense of responsibility evident everywhere, lending dignity and impressiveness to the great volume of work carried on in each lodge. The high esteem in which the Grand Lodge is held was made manifest in the cordiality and hospitality which marked my every visit. My warm thanks are extended to my officers and the distinguished Brethren who accompanied me on my visitations, and who cheerfully shared in the work that attaches to the office of District Deputy. No one could be more fortunate in this respect than I.

Then, Brethren, to serve under the leadership of M.W. Bro. Hawkins, was a high privilege. His year in the high command was one of progress and the most cordial relations in all phases of our work. He as you know, combines with ability and zeal an unusual knowledge of procedure, wide sympathies and an unchanging affection for his Brethren, a constant inspiration to all of us entrusted with office, Then I must acknowledge the many kind courtesies extended to me by M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd, Immediate Past Grand Master. They include the gift of a complete District Deputy Grand Master's Regalia. This had in it not only the elements of kindness and thoughtfulness, but also an economic consideration for the treasury of District No. 12. I commend to other officials on elevation to emulate his example.

The District Meeting was held on Saturday, February 18th, 1939, at the Masonic Temple in Winnipeg with an attendance of one hundred and eighty-five. Every lodge was represented. It was an inspiring gathering, enlivened by a number of brief but exceptionally fitting and informative addresses. In addition to the Grand Master who dealt with the "Principles of Masonry," M.W. Bro. Harry Woods made a strong appeal for a larger Benevolence, pointing out that the amount available from the interest accruing yearly from the charitable fund was quite inadequate to meet the requirements of present day conditions. The ideals of Masonry and their application to present world affairs were capably and interestingly presented by W. Bro. Hoover, Master of Lord Selkirk Lodge.

I wish to say in concluding that my term of office as District Deputy has been to me a year of rare delight, honor and privilege, memories of which will remain sacred with me during all my days. To all who helped to smooth my path, lighten my burden and generously overlooked my imperfections I am profoundly grateful.

HUGH MACKENZIE, D.D.G.M.
District No. 12.

REPORT OF THE DELEGATES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, A.F. & A.M., TO THE BICENTENARY OF FREE MASONRY IN CANADA AT HALIFAX, N.S., JULY 1938

There is a real historical background, to the story, we have to tell, so let us go back, more than three hundred years, to as fair a spot, as may be found in this, or any other land. In 1604 King Henry IV of France, granted to Sieur de Monts and his associates, under the name of Acadia, that track of country, known today as Nova Scotia and part of New Brunswick. De Monts immediately set sail for his new domain in two ships bearing 120 prospective settlers. In the Company was a man, whose name was destined to be written large, in the annals of Canadian history. The Chief Navigator and King's Geographer, with the De Monts expedition was no less a person than Samuel Champlain, best known, perhaps, as the founder of Quebec, in 1608. The first land, sighted by this company of adventurers, was Cape Le Have near Lunenberg, where the "Bluenose" comes from. From there, they sailed down the coast, explored the Bay of Fundy and finally came back to that beautiful landlocked harbor, which we know today, as Annapolis Basin. Annapolis Basin lies at the lower end, of the valley immortalized, in the story of Evangeline; a long narrow ridge, then covered with dense forests, on the one side, the peaceful Annapolis River and the basin; on the other side the ocean, where the turbulent tides of the Bay of Fundy, rise and fall twice in the natural day. The scene that then presented itself to Champlain and his little band is better portrayed in the language of Longfellow:

"This is the forest primeval—the murmuring pines and the hemlocks,
Bearded with moss and in garments green indistinct in the twilight,
Stand like druids of old—with voices sad and prophetic,
Stand like harpers hoar, with beards that rest on their bosoms,
While loud from its rocky caverns, the deep voiced neighboring ocean,
Speaks, and answers the voice of the forest."

With all Acadia to choose from, Champlain selected Annapolis Basin. There at its head, he built the original Fort Royal, and founded the first white settlement in America, north of the Gulf of Mexico. Other nations, however, had their eyes on Acadia. During the next hundred years, the Fort changed hands no less than seven times, from France to England and vice versa. Two of these changes had special significance. In 1621, while in British hands, King James I, granted Acadia to Sir William

Alexander, one of his Scottish nobles. Alexander insisted that the name be changed to Nova Scotia, in keeping with the "New England," "New France," "New Spain," vogue of that day. He made the territory a part of the County of Edinburgh, in Scotland, and founded a new order of Knighthood called the "Baronets of Nova Scotia," to each of whom, was granted a parcel of land in Nova Scotia, four miles long by six miles wide. In 1635 the French recaptured the fort and destroyed it, in the process. The Baronets of Nova Scotia passed out of the picture and the present Fort Royal was built, some seven miles south of the original site. This fort still remains, the ramparts, bastion powder magazine, revelons and officers' quarters, stand today, as built more than 300 years ago. The officers quarters are used as a museum and are filled with relics of historical and scientific interest.

Finally in 1710 the fort came into British possession, for the last time. The name was changed to Annapolis Royal, in honor of Queen Anne, and although it was the scene of much fighting, until the fall of Quebec in 1759, it never again passed into alien hands. It is significant that the final capture was affected by colonial troops from Boston. The circumstances that prompted the attack was that Fort Royal was being used as a base for privateers that raided and sacked the New England coast. The Pilgrim Fathers had landed in 1620. The colonies had grown rapidly and Boston had even then become the hub of social, economic, and commercial life on the Atlantic coast.

Annapolis Royal was garrisoned until 1854. Among the officers at the fort in the 1730's was Major Erasmus James Phillips. In 1737 he was in Boston on business. The business was to act on a commission to settle the boundaries between the Colony of Rhode Island and the Province of Massachusetts Bay. So the royal commissions, with which we are so familiar today, have at least the virtue of antiquity. While in Boston, Major Phillips was made a Mason and when he returned to Nova Scotia he carried with him a deputation from M.W. Bro. Henry Price, the Grand Master of Massachusetts, to institute a lodge at Annapolis Royal. That lodge was instituted in June 1738, and was the first Masonic Lodge in Canadian territory. Major Phillips continued his Masonic activity. He instituted a lodge at Halifax in 1750. He became the First Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia in 1757. Unfortunately he died quite suddenly at Halifax, in 1760. He was buried in the grave yard of St. Paul's Church in that city. St. Paul's was the first Protestant church in Canada. It was built at the expense of the Crown, and still stands as a venerable and ancient landmark in the Masonic and religious life, not only of Nova Scotia but of Canada.

Under unbroken British rule, Nova Scotia steadily and rapidly grew and developed into the proud province, that it is today.

Freemasonry kept pace with the development in other lines. The Brethren of today were not unmindful of the approaching anniversary. Some years ago the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia appointed a strong committee in that behalf. The chairman was P.G.M. Reginald V. Harris. To those who know him, his name is sufficient guarantee of the work of his committee. He is a deep student of Masonic history and has an infinite capacity for detail. The proof of the pudding is the eating, and the proof of the work of that committee was the elaborate celebration that marked the consummation of 200 years of Freemasonry in Canada —a celebration adequate and complete and in every detail carried through, without a single hitch. The Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia invited representatives from every Grand Lodge with which it was in communication. The response was gratifying. The Grand Lodges of England, Ireland and Scotland sent delegates, as did twenty-one Grand Lodges from the United States and the nine Grand Lodges in Canada. Our Grand Lodge did your scribes the honor of appointing them as delegates from Manitoba. May we say here that everywhere we received the greatest kindness and consideration. If Freemasonry does nothing else, it ensures a man a wonderful centre among Brother Masons, wherever they be found.

As we had never visited Quebec, we left Winnipeg, in time to spend a few days in that historic city. We were so fortunate as to be there, when the delegates from the Grand Lodge of England landed from the Empress of Britain, on Thursday, July 7th. The Grand Lodge of Quebec, had arranged for the D.D.G.M. in that district to entertain these distinguished Brethren and we, of course, were included in the entertainment. It consisted of a round of informal luncheons and dinners and short tours of the scenic and historic points of interest in the vicinity. Joseph Howe, it was, that said "every spot in Eastern Canada is redolent with memories." That is particularly true of Quebec. We saw the old city, clinging to the rocks, beneath the towering cliff of the citadel. We walked the narrow streets, with their churches and shrines. We threaded the fortifications of the citadel, built at a cost of 8,000,000 pounds, after the capture of Quebec by General Wolfe. Incidentally the Governor General, or some member of his family, is supposed to be in residence in the citadel for two months in every year. During such residence the guard is changed, as in Buckingham Palace, only on a lesser scale. We were fortunate enough to witness that ceremony. We saw the battlefield at Montmorency where Montcalm and the French repelled a feigned attack, by part of Wolfe's army while the actual attacking force drifted quietly upstream on the rising tide. We saw the goat path where they climbed the cliffs to the battlefield, the Plains of Abraham where the battle was won, the spot where Wolfe fell, the spot where Montcalm was wounded, the house where he died and the unique monument to both generals, the victor and the

vanquished. Friday night we caught the train for Halifax. Next morning we picked up the delegates from Scotland and Ireland. Their boat had been unable to reach Quebec on account of fog and ice, so they left it, when the pilot came on board at Father Point, and caught the train at Rimouski.

The delegates, 200 in number, reached Halifax on Saturday and Sunday. All were the guests of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia at the Nova Scotian Hotel. The bicentenary ceremonies commenced on Sunday afternoon with a religious service in Old St. Paul's Church. The first Masonic religious service in Canada, was held in that same church in 1751, for the members of the newly instituted Lodge. The service in 1938 was for Masons from all over the world. Many distinguished divines took part, and the sermon was preached by Principal Cody of Toronto University, who went to Halifax especially for that purpose.

In the evening the Halifax mixed choir gave a religious musicale in the Capital Theatre. Nova Scotia is noted for its singers, and this organization was outstanding. The speaker was a Mason of international reputation, M.W. Bro. Melvin Johnston, P.G.M. of Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and presently Commander in Chief of the Scottish Rite of the United States in the Northern Jurisdiction.

On Monday morning, July 11th, the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia opened in full ceremonial form and received the delegates from the various Grand Jurisdictions. The guests of honor were the distinguished Brethren from the Old Land. They must have been gratified, as we are sure they were, by the many and hearty expressions of fellowship and goodwill, extended to them by the Brethren of Nova Scotia and Canada and particularly by the Brethren of the United States.

Immediately at the close of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, with a full quota of their own Grand Officers, opened, also in full ceremonial form, under a special dispensation in that behalf. They proceeded to the cemetery of old St. Paul's, to the grave of Eramus James Phillips, dead 178 years. There they unveiled and dedicated to his memory a monument, the gift of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts to the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia. The monument was a huge block of granite in the form of a cube, a perfect ashlar. The dedication ceremony was beautiful and impressive. It was one of many indications of the goodwill that prevails between the Grand Lodges on either side of the international line. It reminded us of the relations between our own Manitoba and the Grand Jurisdictions to the south.

The delegates then adjourned to the Lord Nelson, another prominent Halifax hotel, for lunch. The speaker was M.W. Bro.

Charles N. Johnston, P.G.M., at present Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New York, another speaker of international repute.

After lunch, a play entitled, "As it was in the Beginning," written by M.W. Bro. Harris, the Chairman of the Bicentenary Committee was staged in The Garrick Theatre. The play depicted a communication of one of the early lodges. It was well staged and acted, and the work from a ritualistic point of view lacked nothing by comparison with present day efforts.

That evening was devoted to the Grand Lodge banquet, with full evening dress, all decorations, much food and many eloquent speeches.

On Tuesday morning, the Nova Scotia Brethren drove the visitors across the Province from Halifax to Digby, on the Annapolis Basin. We stopped at Windsor where, amid beautiful surroundings on the Minas Basin, the Grand Lodge maintains a real home for its aged Masons. Then on to Grand Pre with its memories of Evangeline, the well, the church, and the relics of Acadia. We had lunch at the Cornwallis Inn, in Kentville, in the heart of the apple country. The speaker was Lord Farnham, one of the Irish delegation. Lord Farnham is a direct descendant of one of Sir William Alexander's Baronets, of Nova Scotia. He is steeped in the lore and tradition of his Nova Scotia ancestors, and he spoke as though his foot was on his native heath.

From Kentville, we drove to Fort Annapolis Royal. There, on the old parade ground, on the site of the first lodge—the lodge of 1738, General Sir Francis Davies, D.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of England, unveiled a brass tablet to the memory of Eramus James Phillips. The tablet was later placed in the museum in the fort.

The bicentenary ceremonies, so far as the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia were concerned, were concluded, by a banquet at "The Pines" in Digby. Digby is the key town of the Annapolis Basin. The site is that, which Samuel Champlain, chose from all Acadia as his new home, more than 300 years ago, and if he had to do it again today we don't think his choice would be different.

That drive across the Province was wonderful. Apart from its historical interest—the country is beautiful. We came down the Annapolis valley from Grand Pre to the Basin, through the orchards, past the farms, and we could not help but feel that Longfellow's language was still the most adequate description of that beautiful land.

> Vast meadows stretched to the eastward. Dykes, that the hands of the farmers
> Had raised with labor incessant, shut out the turbulant tides

But at stated seasons the flood gates opened and welcomed the sea,
To wander at will o'er the meadows
West and south these were fields of flax and orchards
And corn fields, spreading afar o'er the plain,
Away to the north Blomidon rose and the forests old
And aloft on the mountains—sea fogs pitched
Their tents and mists from the mighty Atlantic
Looked down on the happy valley but ne'er from their station descended.

All the Grand Lodges in Canada were waiting for the Old Country Brethren, and such delegates, as continued with the party. On Wednesday we crossed the Bay of Fundy to St. Johns where the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick took charge—more drives—more historic interest, more banquets, and more speeches. From St. John we travelled by special train to Cape Tormentine, and Prince Edward Island. The Brethren there drove us to Summerside, to the oyster beds on Malpeque Bay and to the Provincial Experimental Fox Farm. At Summerside, the ladies' served lunch at the beautiful home of M.W. Bro. Brennan, where the atmosphere was like that of one of our own rural district meetings.

From there we drove to Charlottetown, where the Grand Lodge convened, in a special communication. It is significant, that half of the Master Masons, in the island, were present. That night there was a fine banquet in the Canadian National Hotel, a banquet that was not surpassed by anything on our trip.

Next morning, we ferried back to the mainland and caught the Ocean Limited to Montreal, where the Grand Lodge of Quebec entertained us informally but royally. An outstanding feature in Montreal was a visit to the roof of the Sun Life Building at the invitation of M.W. Bro. Wood, the President of the Company. The view from that lofty height, of the mighty St. Lawrence river, the shipping, the white habitant villages, the Adirondack and the Berkshire mountains to the south and east and the rugged Laurentians to the north, was one that will never be forgotten.

From Montreal, we passed on to Toronto, where the Grand Lodge of Ontario held its regular communication. The day previous we motored to Niagara Falls through Hamilton, Grimsby, St. Catherines, and the Welland Canal country. We held an informal meeting in the old lodge room at Niagara-on-the-Lake, en route. The attendance at the Grand Lodge next day was over 2200 and 1400 sat down to the banquet, in the evening, in the Royal York Hotel. From Toronto, we entrained for Winnipeg, where the Preceptory entertained our distinguished guests at lunch, in the Manitoba Club, and the Grand Lodge served dinner, at Lower Fort Garry. Next morning our British friends continued on to the Coast and your delegates came back to earth.

We had travelled two weeks with the Old Country Brethren, made delightful friendships, seen and heard a great deal that was fine and good and learned a little we hope.

We heard many fine addresses by outstanding Masons who are equally outstanding citizens. They were all alive to the social and economic unrest, which prevails, in all their jurisdictions. They recognized the various isms that are challenging democracy today. To a man, they stressed the necessity, for a united front by the English speaking peoples as the one hope of saving democracy and democratic institutions. No one spoke of Freemasonry as such. Every one spoke of Freemasonry as a most likely factor to bring about the highly desired union of our peoples. Let me repeat just a few passages from their speeches:

Principal Cody of University of Toronto at the memorable service in old St. Paul's. "How can the threatening onward march of tyranny be stayed? Is freedom worth having, worth maintaining, worth conserving in sanity and order? What could 200,000 Masons, throughout Canada, not do for the redemption of this generation, for the clarification of political, economic, and religious thought, for to stir up our citizens to a constant and continuing interest in affairs. With pride in our past, with hope and courage in our future, with strong hearts and humble minds, it is our duty as Masons to watch, to stand fast, and to be ready to do, to dare, and to sacrifice, even unto death."

Melvin M. Johnston, Past Grand Master of Massachusetts, speaking at the Capital Theatre, Halifax.

"A departure from the ideals and principles upon which our civilization has been built will cause it to crumble, as civilization has crumbled before. Congress, legislatures, parliaments may pass statutes, dictators may impress their will upon great peoples, but only the moral consciousness, of the whole people, will save the people. Herein lies the duty and the opportunity of Freemasonry. The ideals of Freemasonry are epitomized in one maxim. The fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man."

Joe. E. Perry, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

Two centuries ago the inhabitants of this country were frontiersmen. Today we are still frontiersmen. Our problems are not trackless forests and hostile Indians. Our true course is nevertheless a wilderness beset with even greater dangers. Masonic ideals embody the true art of living. So as we tread this social and economic wilderness, today, let us steer our steps by the compass of truth, let us temper our attitudes to tolerance and charity, let us walk in reverence, faith and integrity. The real depression is not economic, it is a moral and spiritual depression."

Charles H. Johnston at Halifax, P.G.M. of Grand Lodge of New York:

> "There is an old fashioned remedy for the ills of today. It is right in our own backyard. That remedy can be distilled from the garden flowers of Freemasonry. It is religion. We as Masons hold the formula."

R.W. Bro. Rev. Thomas Blockley, P.G.M. of Oxfordshire in England, was frequently called upon to say Grace. He always spoke thus:

> "As we fare, so may others fare, and may the Great Architect of the universe guide and keep us all."

General Sir Norman A. Orr Ewing, Grand Master of Grand Lodge in Scotland, at Charlottetown:

> "When the brotherhood of man really comes to pass, it will be brought about by Anglo Saxons on both sides of the ocean."

M.W. Bro. Dunlop, Grand Master of Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) at Toronto:

> "Two hundred years ago there was in Canada one little army lodge at Annapolis Royal. Today there are nine Sovereign Grand Lodges with a combined membership of approximately 200,000, 200.000 Masons in a population of ten million, along with other citizens of good sense and good-will, must prove a sheet anchor against hatred, greed, and lust for power. Freemasonry has ever been a stabilizing factor and will so serve, as long as time shall last."

M.W. Bro. Lewis at Halifax, Grand Master of Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania:

> "You, as Canadians, are the interpreters between the great republic to the south and the vast empire of which you are a part. Unless we can find some common ground upon which we can all unite, in peace and in war, then God help us both."

Appropriately enough the dean of all the delegates was General Sir Francis Davies, the Deputy Grand Master of the Mother Grand Lodge, the Grand Lodge of England. Seventy-six years old, he delayed his departure from England until the last moment that he might be with his mother, on her one hundredth birthday. R.W. Bro. Davies is just what we wanted him to be,—a typical English gentleman. He is a brief and forceful speaker. Not

long ago, another great English man, the Honorable Stanley Baldwin, in a speech to a rally of British youth sounded the keynote of Britain's greatness in these words: "Put your duty first and think about your rights afterwards. You are the governors of the future. We are passing on to you the duty of guarding and safeguarding all that is worthy and worth while in our past,—our heritage, and our tradition, our honor and all our hopes. The beauty of the countryside is yours, the green fields, the trees and the wild flowers, the rivers, the moors, the prairies and the hills. They are all yours, to enjoy, but also to hold, and I hope, to enhance their value, to pass them on. You are trustees,—trustees in every sense of that noble word. It is for you to protect democracy in whatever part of the Empire you may live." General Davies is the living embodiment of that ideal of duty and trusteeship. The symbol, to him, of all these things is the King, and his creed is expressed in four simple words "God Save the King."

Such a pilgrimage as that on which we passed, could not fail to stir a Canadian to the depths of his being. The whole history of our country was spread before us, in a magnificant panorama of lakes and rivers, of mountains and plains, of farms and forests, of cities, churches, shrines and battlefields. Amid these familiar scenes, the great men and the great women, of a bygone day, walked again and there they portrayed for us the drama of Canadian nationhood. The climax came at Charlottetown, when we stood, in the very room, where seventy odd years ago, Confederation was born, and where the Fathers of Confederation breathed the life, of nationhood, into its veins. The problems that faced the Fathers of Confederation then, were no more perplexing,—no more disturbing than the problems, that face us today. Today democracy is facing the supreme challenge. We are still living in the backwash of that overwhelming wave that spread suffering and sorrow and desolution over the world some twenty years ago. The men, who fell fighting in the Great War, died in the hope they were making the world a better place to live in. But mankind cannot commit a great sin without paying the price. The twenty post war years have shown that war does not settle the account. Freedom for common men, which was to have been the fruit of victory, is once more in jeopardy, even in our land, because it has been taken away from the common men of other lands.

That is our tale. Let us briefly paint a moral to adorn it. Our wise men have told us, the shrines of a glorious past have reminded us,—that Canada has attained the position she enjoys today because, in the main, her citizens have practised the cardinal virtues of liberty, justice, and equality, and suppressed intolerance, selfishness and greed.

In the light of our past experience, we must realize that our hope for the days, to come, lies in the things that were our help in

ages past. As Masons, we know that the virtues that lie at the fountain head of our national life, are the virtues, taught and exemplified in the tenets and precepts of the ancient Craft Freemasonry is today as she always has been the custodian of the great eternal things that really matter to a nation. If the 200,000 Masons throughout Canada will just exemplify and practise the principles of our order, in their daily lives—not only in our lodges, but in our daily contacts with our fellowmen,—on the street,—in our homes, on our farms,—in our factories, and in our parliaments,—exemplify and practice those principles, not only according to the letter, but in the spirit, in which they have been handed down to us. ("For the letter killeth but the spirit giveth life.") If two hundred thousand Masons throughout Canada will do just that—we will build such a bulwark against the forces that seek to destroy it, that democracy will be safe for all time to come in that part of the Empire in which we live.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

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R.W. Bro. E. G. Hunt (3), Hon. Member.....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. T. A. Argue (55), Hon. Member.....Winnipeg
W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), Hon. Member .....Winnipeg
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R.W. Bro. Edward Dow (36), D.D.G.M. 4th Mas. Dist...Boissevain
R.W. Bro. F. C. Barber (39), D.D.G.M. 5th Mas. Dist.....Birtle
R.W. Bro. W. J. Cobb (54), D.D.G.M. 6th Mas. Dist.....Melita
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GRAND LODGES

1938

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OF

Bennett Parkinson

District Deputy Grand Master, 1924

DIED

June 3rd, 1938

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY

OF

William McCuaig

Grand Steward, 1916

DIED

September 23rd, 1938

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

James H. Pollock

Grand Steward, 1913
District Deputy Grand Master, 1920

DIED

January 1st, 1938

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Alexander Little

Grand Tyler, 1933-34

DIED

May 2nd, 1938

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Alexander L. Young

Grand Steward, 1895
District Deputy Grand Master, 1896

DIED

October 8th, 1938

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Dr. William Angelo Mott

District Deputy Grand Master, 1919

DIED

October 20th, 1938

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

John Davis

District Deputy Grand Master, 1929

Late Secretary Lebanon Lodge No. 43

DIED

April 22nd, 1939

SACRED TO THE MEMORY

OF THE

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SEVEN

BRETHREN

OF THE SIXTY-TWO LODGES

OF THIS GRAND JURISDICTION

WHOSE DEATHS

HAVE BEEN REPORTED DURING THE

MASONIC YEAR

ENDING

DECEMBER 31st, 1938

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OF THE BELOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE

At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Buchanan, J. E.	Jan. 29th, 1938	Prince Rupert's	1
Colley, R.	April 24th, 1938	Prince Rupert's	1
Roy, J.	May 5th, 1938	Prince Rupert's	1
Beresford, H. G.	June 12th, 1938	Prince Rupert's	1
Wilson, Geo.	Sept. 24th, 1938	Prince Rupert's	1
Thomson, J. C.	Oct. 4th, 1938	Prince Rupert's	1
Stanley, M.	Oct. 28th, 1938	Prince Rupert's	1
McPherson, A. N.	Nov. 9th, 1938	Prince Rupert's	1
Hanna, D. B.	Dec. 1st, 1938	Prince Rupert's	1
MacDougall, D. W.	Dec. 25th, 1938	Prince Rupert's	1
McQuade, J.	Jan. 18th, 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
Henderson, L. G.	Mar. 6th, 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
Trembley, A.	Aug. 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
Campbell, J.	Aug. 26th, 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
Howard, J. G.	Nov. 6th, 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
Baker, G. S.	Nov. 25th, 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
White, Wm.	Dec. 28th, 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
McLeod, Wm.	Jan. 22nd, 1938	St. John's	4
Stokes, M. S.	Jan. 25th, 1938	St. John's	4
Nicholas, J. S.	Jan. 26th, 1938	St. John's	4
Hooper, R.	May 12th, 1938	St. John's	4
Balsdon, Jas.	May 22nd, 1938	St. John's	4
Anderson, A. F.	June 14th, 1938	St. John's	4
Liddell, David	Sept. 16th, 1938	St. John's	4
Anderson, R.	Oct. 15th, 1938	St. John's	4
Mitchell, A. J.	Oct. 22nd, 1938	St. John's	4
McCreary, J. C.	Nov. 6th, 1938	St. John's	4
Jones, Thos.	Dec. 9th, 1938	St. John's	4
Metcalfe, J. H.	Jan. 3rd, 1938	Assiniboine	7
Edmonsen, G. H.	Jan. 17th, 1938	Assiniboine	7
McKenzie, C. S.	May 23rd, 1938	Assiniboine	7

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
McCuaig, Wm.	Sept. 23rd, 1938	Assiniboine	7
Macdonald, D. G.	Dec. 27th, 1938	Assiniboine	7
Martin, I.	Dec. 1938	Assiniboine	7
Lawrie, W. J.	Aug. 22nd, 1938	King Solomon	8
Hill, Wm.	Jan. 12th, 1938	Northern Light	10
MacKay, J.	May 16th, 1938	Northern Light	10
McLeod, J. N.	June 22nd, 1938	Northern Light	10
McKay, G. J.	Apr. 4th, 1938	Gladstone	11
Muirhead, J.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Gladstone	11
Graham, H. W.	Feb. 19th, 1938	Belmont	13
Morrison, T. J.	May 3rd, 1938	Belmont	13
Anderson, A. C.	Oct. 27th, 1938	Belmont	13
Parkinson, B.	June 3rd, 1938	Prince of Wales	14
Spratt, R.	Aug. 13th, 1938	Prince of Wales	14
Thompson, W. G.	Oct. 31st, 1938	Prince of Wales	14
Smith, J. G.	May 6th, 1938	Corinthian	15
Fortune, R.	Mar. 19th, 1938	Brandon	19
Davidson, A. C.	Mar. 8th, 1938	Brandon	19
McGregor, P.	Aug. 26th, 1938	Brandon	19
Beaubier, D. W.	Sept. 1st, 1938	Brandon	19
Clement, D. E.	Nov. 14th, 1938	Brandon	19
Palmer, M.	Jan. 9th, 1938	Ionic	25
Young, Alex.	Feb. 25th, 1938	Ionic	25
Fraser, D.	May 7th, 1938	Ionic	25
Stewart, A.	June 23rd, 1938	Ionic	25
Scott, A. R.	July 30th, 1938	Ionic	25
Smyth, J. H.	Aug. 6th, 1938	Ionic	25
Taylor, Wm.	Sept. 17th, 1938	Ionic	25
Mudie, S. K.	Oct. 9th, 1938	Ionic	25
Bradley, T. W.	Oct. 29th, 1938	Ionic	25
McDonald, A. N.	Nov. 22nd, 1938	Ionic	25

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Munroe, F. L.	Jan. 28th, 1938	Glenwood	27
Reece, C. F.	Mar. 24th, 1938	Glenwood	27
Box, W. C.	June 24th, 1938	Glenwood	27
Young, A. L.	Oct. 8th, 1938	Glenwood	27
McCulloch, R. J.	Nov. 1st, 1938	Glenwood	27
Bates, W. H.	Mar. 10th, 1938	Carberry	29
Wood, J. F.	May 7th, 1938	Manitou	30
Clemens, J.	Feb. 5th, 1938	Birtle	39
Hodnett, T. P.	July 22nd, 1938	Birtle	39
McNiven, J. D.	Dec. 28th, 1938	Lebanon	43
Robinson, N.	May 11th, 1938	Oak Lake	44
Montgomery, R. A.	Sept. 12th, 1938	Oak Lake	44
Barclay, H.	Oct. 18th, 1938	Hartney	52
Pollock, J. H.	Jan. 1st, 1938	Oriental	54
Chittick, A.	June 11th, 1938	Russell	62
Stevenson, A.	June 11th, 1938	Russell	62
Setter, A.	June 29th, 1938	Russell	62
Thomson, R.	Aug. 13th, 1938	Russell	62
Garth, M.	Jan. 18th, 1938	Composite	64
McClernon, R.	Feb. 12th, 1938	Vermillion	68
McConnell, Wm.	June 30th, 1938	Vermillion	68
Henry, P. A.	Nov. 18th, 1938	Vermillion	68
MacFarlane, W. J.	Jan. 7th, 1938	Crystal	71
Maxwell, W.	Mar. 6th, 1938	Crystal	71
Fraser, A. E.	Aug. 4th, 1938	Elkhorn	74
Newman, C. F.	June 23rd, 1938	Napinka	77
Crawford, J. W. N.	Nov. 16th, 1938	Hamiota	84
Fitzpatrick, E. F.	Mar. 1st, 1938	Elgin	86
Mott, W. A.	Oct. 20th, 1938	Rathwell	87
Callum, D.	Oct. 9th, 1938	Midlothian	90

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Greer, Wm.	Dec. 14th, 1938	Midlothian	90
Jeffries, J.	Feb. 25th, 1938	Shoal Lake	92
Binney, R. N.	July 31st, 1938	King Edward	93
Williams, R.	Sept. 25th, 1938	King Edward	93
Feltham, Wm.	Sept. 29th, 1938	King Edward	93
Shield, N.	Mar. 11th, 1938	Hiram	94
Dunseath, J.	Dec. 8th, 1938	Hiram	94
Jollye, A. W.	July 22nd, 1938	Binscarth	101
Underwood, F.	Aug. 22nd, 1938	Crescent	103
Dennis, F. C.	Apr. 27th, 1938	Prince Arthur	105
Clegg, A.	Jan. 18th, 1938	Union	108
Switzer, G. W.	Mar. 19th, 1938	Union	108
Dobson, H. M.	May 28th, 1938	Kilwinning	110
Hanlon, J.	Feb. 7th, 1938	Acacia	111
Cooper, G. W.	Oct. 26th, 1938	Acacia	111
Eastham, H.	Dec. 8th, 1938	Acacia	111
Stafford, E. E.	Sept. 10th, 1938	Ophir	112
Kirkland, J. G.	Apr. 17th, 1938	Tweed	113
Townson, J.	June 6th, 1938	Tweed	113
Glover, J. A.	Aug. 18th, 1938	Tweed	113
O'Reilly, J. A. H.	Jan. 2nd, 1938	"The Assiniboine"	114
Shannon, C. H.	Feb. 6th, 1938	"The Assiniboine"	114
Massie, A. J.	Feb. 7th, 1938	"The Assiniboine"	114
McClelland, S.	Mar. 22nd, 1938	"The Assiniboine"	114
Ferguson, A. K.	May 9th, 1938	"The Assiniboine"	114
Barrett, G. W.	May 30th, 1938	"The Assiniboine"	114
Foot, J. J.	Aug. 4th, 1938	"The Assiniboine"	114
Quast, Wm.	Sept. 30th, 1938	"The Assiniboine"	114
Bevan, A. H.	Dec. 31st, 1938	"The Assiniboine"	114
Dyer, J. A. (Sr.)	Mar. 22nd, 1938	Rivers	115

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Matchett, D. J.	Mar. 26th, 1938	Strathcona	117
Walker, M. S.	Jan. 30th, 1938	Norwood	119
Evans, G.	Aug. 11th, 1938	Norwood	119
Gilbert, E. C.	Mar. 16th, 1938	Penza	120
Russell, D. A.	Jan. 3rd, 1938	St. James	121
Williams, T. R.	June 2nd, 1938	St. James	121
Stewart, A.	June 20th, 1938	Transcona	123
Brown, H. W.	Oct. 28th, 1938	Patricia	125
Milligan, M. O.	Mar. 20th, 1938	Empire	127
Stanley, Wm.	Oct. 27th, 1938	Empire	127
Little, Alex.	May 2nd, 1938	Fort Garry	130
Knowles, C.	May 10th, 1938	Fort Garry	130
Russell, W. J.	Dec. 10th, 1938	Fort Garry	130
McQuade, J.	July 29th, 1938	McCreary	133
Mathewson, D. A.	Oct. 1938	McCreary	133
McCullough, S. A.	Nov. 14th, 1938	Stony Mountain	134
Jones, Wm.	June 1st, 1938	Capitol	136
Kinley, H.	Apr. 1st, 1938	Lord Selkirk	137
Graham, D. J.	Oct. 24th, 1938	Lord Selkirk	137
McNeill, R. L.	Nov. 7th, 1938	Lord Selkirk	137
Parker, C. C.	Nov. 25th, 1938	Lord Selkirk	137
Bell, T. A.	May 1st, 1938	Windsor	138
MacDougall, J. S.	Apr. 3rd, 1938	Meridian	140
Strang, A.	May 5th, 1938	Meridian	140
Thompson, J.	June 1st, 1938	Tuscan	141
Provisor, A.	Mar. 21st, 1938	Mt. Sinai	143
McPhail, M. H.	June 27th, 1938	Fort Osborne	144
Bott, Geo.	June 1st, 1938	Fidelity	146
McTavish, R. B.	Nov. 11th, 1938	Fidelity	146
Metge, W. C.	Sept. 26th, 1938	Seven Oaks	148

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Shadford, A. F.	Oct. 19th, 1937	Prince Rupert's	1
Campbell, W. R.	Sept. 20th, 1938	Prince Rupert's	1
Hain, Wm. H.	Dec. 20th, 1938	Prince Rupert's	1
Connell, A. G.	Dec. 20th, 1938	Prince Rupert's	1
Appleby, W. O. O.	Jan. 17th, 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
Jelly, A.	Oct. 17th, 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
Currie, H. J.	Nov. 21st, 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
Hill, Wm. J.	Dec. 19th, 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
Grant, E. C.	Dec. 19th, 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
Delmage, J.	Dec. 19th, 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
MacLean, A. D.	Dec. 30th, 1938	Ancient Landmark	3
Bancroft, F.	Jan. 5th, 1938	St. John's	4
Fleer, O.	Apr. 6th, 1938	St. John's	4
Ianson, Wm.	Oct. 5th, 1938	St. John's	4
Short, A. C.	Dec. 7th, 1938	St. John's	4
Somerville, Jas.	Dec. 7th, 1938	St. John's	4
Cumming, G. G.	Apr. 18th, 1938	Assiniboine	7
Darwood, Wm.	Jan. 20th, 1938	Northern Light	10
Higham, W. H.	Jan. 20th, 1938	Northern Light	10
Northwood, G. W.	Jan. 20th, 1938	Northern Light	10
Orr, R. S.	Jan. 20th, 1938	Northern Light	10
Haven, F. G.	Jan. 20th, 1938	Northern Light	10
Benedickson, Wm.	Mar. 17th, 1938	Northern Light	10
Pride, A. W.	Sept. 15th, 1938	Northern Light	10
Bonnell, Rev. J. S.	Nov. 17th, 1938	Northern Light	10
Frith, J. H.	Dec. 15th, 1938	Northern Light	10
Ryles, F.	Dec. 15th, 1938	Northern Light	10
Shackleford, R. G.	Nov. 14th, 1938	Gladstone	11
Whyte, J. S.	Jan. 18th, 1938	Stonewall	12
Robinson, W. C.	Jan. 18th, 1938	Stonewall	12
McIver, M. A. M.	Mar. 15th, 1938	Stonewall	12
Graham, J. H.	Mar. 15th, 1938	Stonewall	12
Wilson, J. O.	Nov. 15th, 1938	Stonewall	12
Daily, Thos.	Nov. 15th, 1938	Stonewall	12
Samson, P. V.	Jan. 14th, 1938	Prince of Wales	14
Crookshank, R. G.	Dec. 13th, 1938	Brandon	19
Higenbottom, G.	Dec. 13th, 1938	Brandon	19
Menzies, G.	Dec. 13th, 1938	Brandon	19
Fusee, J. McF.	Dec. 14th, 1938	Neepawa	24
Hamilton, H. M.	Dec. 14th, 1938	Neepawa	24
Williams, E.	Feb. 7th, 1938	Ionic	25
Whyte, Jas.	Feb. 7th, 1938	Ionic	25
Ashby, L. E.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Ionic	25
Watson, C. F.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Ionic	25
Cohen, Jacob	Dec. 31st, 1938	Ionic	25

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Barker, Thos.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Ionic	25
Thompson, S. W.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Ionic	25
Edwards, H. P.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Ionic	25
Cross, F. A.	Dec. 10th, 1938	Glenwood	27
McIntyre, W. H.	Dec. 10th, 1938	Glenwood	27
Gregg, J. H.	Nov. 1st, 1938	Carberry	29
Rogers, Rev. J.	Mar. 15th, 1938	Manitou	30
Jopp, J. M.	Nov. 1st, 1938	Manitou	30
Stewart, Rev. J. F.	Oct. 28th, 1938	Doric	36
Clow, M. A.	Jan. 24th, 1938	Doric	36
Laidman, T. S.	July 12th, 1938	Birtle	39
Marley, R. L.	Dec. 6th, 1938	Birtle	39
Rutherford, W. N.	Sept. 7th, 1938	Deloraine	40
Willett, N. E.	Oct. 5th, 1938	Deloraine	40
Haw, J. A.	Nov. 2nd, 1938	Deloraine	40
Martin, H. C.	June 7th, 1938	Lebanon	43
Carr, R. L.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Lebanon	43
Francis, J. B.	Jan. 10th, 1938	Glenboro	48
Clarke, Jas.	Dec. 20th, 1938	Temple	49
Condray, F. R.	Sept. 20th, 1938	Temple	49
Turner, Geo.	Feb. 21st, 1938	Killarney	50
Malone, R. S.	Oct. 17th, 1938	Killarney	50
Burrows, D. C.	Nov. 18th, 1938	Killarney	50
Harris, J. A.	Oct. 7th, 1938	Treherne	51
MacEwing, Wm. G.	Dec. 2nd, 1938	Treherne	51
Outerson, A. L.	Dec. 30th, 1938	Treherne	51
Wright, J. G.	Mar. 4th, 1938	Oriental	54
Johnston, J.	Dec. 14th, 1938	Holland	63
Riddell, C.	Dec. 14th, 1938	Holland	63
Gammie, A. M.	Nov. 1st, 1938	Vermillion	68
Moore, A. S.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Vermillion	68
Treble, C. D.	Jan. 11th, 1938	Crystal	71
Deacon, E. A.	Sept. 6th, 1938	Crystal	71
Hatcher, A. J.	June 6th, 1938	Elkhorn	74
Forsyth, W. E.	Dec. 5th, 1938	Elkhorn	74
Kellie, R. A.	Dec. 5th, 1938	Elkhorn	74
Rannie, C. F.	Dec. 5th, 1938	Elkhorn	74
Stevenson, A.	Dec. 2nd, 1938	Gothic	75
North, G. E.	Dec. 7th, 1938	Gothic	75
Wood, W. R.	Dec. 7th, 1938	Gothic	75
Fogel, Wm.	Dec. 23rd, 1938	Gothic	75
Lougheed, M. S.	Apr. 7th, 1938	Cypress	82
Holland, A. E.	Dec. 5th, 1938	Cypress	82
Allan, J. H. C.	Jan. 18th, 1938	Hamiota	84
Moore, R. M.	Nov. 22nd, 1938	Hamiota	84

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Blanchard, I.	Dec. 5th, 1938	Midlothian	90
Cryderman, N. W.	Dec. 5th, 1938	Midlothian	90
Alexander, E. H.	Jan. 19th, 1938	King Edward	93
Davison, W. H.	Feb. 16th, 1938	King Edward	93
Roberts, H.	Dec. 21st, 1938	King Edward	93
Feltham, L. A.	Dec. 21st, 1938	King Edward	93
Hume, W. J.	Mar. 10th, 1938	Hiram	94
Brown, C. F. M.	Dec. 14th, 1938	Robbie Burns	100
Belton, G. S.	Dec. 14th, 1938	Robbie Burns	100
Anderson, J.	Mar. 21st, 1938	Crescent	103
Hopkins, A. E.	Sept. 26th, 1938	Crescent	103
Younger, S. R.	Sept. 26th, 1938	Crescent	103
Livesley, D. H.	Feb. 11th, 1938	Reston	104
Anderson, J. A.	Dec. 8th, 1938	Reston	104
Cooper, J. E.	Dec. 7th, 1938	Swan Lake	109
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Allen, H. H.	Dec. 14th, 1938	Acacia	111
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Ross, T. D.	Feb. 15th, 1938	Tweed	113
Nelson, R.	Oct. 18th, 1938	Tweed	113
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Hall, J. G.	Nov. 1st, 1938	"The Assiniboine"	114
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Dawson, J. R.	Dec. 31st, 1938	"The Assiniboine"	114
Kyle, W. G.	Dec. 31st, 1938	"The Assiniboine"	114
McGregor, A. M.	Dec. 31st, 1938	"The Assiniboine"	114
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Taylor, H. O.	Feb. 10th, 1938	Norwood	119
Dowse, F. R.	Apr. 14th, 1938	Norwood	119
Goddard, Wm.	Apr. 14th, 1938	Norwood	119
Sainsbury, W. H.	Apr. 14th, 1938	Norwood	119
Whitwell, F. S. J.	May 12th, 1938	Norwood	119
Scott, D. J.	Nov. 10th, 1938	Norwood	119
Cushman, A. H.	Dec. 13th, 1938	Penza	120
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Tatton, E.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Empire	127
McComb, A.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Empire	127
Rogers, S.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Empire	127
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Swan, J.	Dec. 14th, 1938	Lord Selkirk	137
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1875	*Rev. W. C. Clarke	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*John H. Bell	*H. T. Champion	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1876	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*G. F. Newcomb	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Jno. W. Harris	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1877	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jas Henderson	*Jno. W. Harris	*E. G. Conklin	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson
1878	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*F. T. Bradley	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1879	Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*R. McCuaig	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*James Munroe	*Rev. James Flett
1880	*John H. Bell	*E. G. Conklin	*Hon. G. McMicken	*J. M. McGregor	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	†D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1881	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. B. Murray	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston	*Jas. Henderson	†D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1882	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*Alfred Pearson	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston	*H. D. P. LaCappellain	†D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1883	*John H. Bell	*D. B. Murray	*R McCuaig	†John Smith	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. Young	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1884	*John H. Bell	*C. F. Forrest	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood	†N. J. Lindsay	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	†Wm. Simpson	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1885	*C. F. Forrest	*Alfred Pearson	†Peter McGregor	†Thos. Colins	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood
1886	*Alfred Pearson	†Peter McGregor	*J. W. H. Wilson	*J. K. Brydon	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. G. Bell	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1887	*Thomas Clark	†John A. Kerr	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Jas. S. Greig	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1888	*Thomas Clark	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	R. C. Brown	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Joseph Daniel	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1889	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara	*Wm. G. Bell	*Thos. L. Morton	†Thos. McPherson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James A. Payne	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1890	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	†Thos. McPherson	Fred L. Newman	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†R. W. Woodroofe	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1891	*Wm. G. Bell	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rich'd D. Foley	*John Leslie	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James G. Dagg	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1892	*J. W. H. Wilson	*D. J. Goggin	†F. G. Lewin	*Thos. Robinson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. A. Windatt	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1893	*D. J. Goggin	*Thos. Robinson	*Thomas Tweed	*Corbet Locke	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. H. Munson	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1894	*Thomas Tweed	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*Hugh U. Bain	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Rev. A. W. F. Cooper	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1895	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*John Leslie	*Geo. B. Murphy	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*John Chambers	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado

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1896	*Corbet Locke ...	*John Leslie	Fred L. Newman.	†F. T. English...	*John McKechnie .	*Wm. G. Scott....	†C. N. Mitchell...	Rev. J. W. Matheson
1897	*Thomas Robinson	*Geo. B. Murphy .	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	†Wm. Crawford ..	*John McKechnie .	*Wm. G. Scott....	*J. O. Smith.....	*Rev. A. Chisholm
1898	*Geo. B. Murphy.	*H. J. Eberts....	*R. S. Thornton .	*Wm. A. Windatt.	*John McKechnie .	*Wm. G. Scott....	†Edgar W. Rugg..	†Rev. C. R. Littler
1899	*John Leslie	*R. S. Thornton..	*W. A. Windatt...	*S. B. Jamieson...	*John McKechnie .	*Wm. G. Scott....	†J. A. Sutherland.	†Rev. J. W. Muirhead
1900	*R. S. Thornton..	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	Wm. Fenwick ..	*R. Hill Myers...	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	†E. A. Braithwaite.	Rev. A. B. Baird
1901	*R. S. Thornton..	*R. Hill Myers....	†E. A. Braithwaite.	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	*James M. Suttie..	Rev. A. B. Baird
1902	*R. Hill Myers...	†E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm.	*Geo. W. Baker..	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	†Geo. H. Webster.	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1903	†E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott...	†H. H. Campkin...	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	*R. P. Crookshank.	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1904	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott...	†H. H. Campkin...	†James Scroggie .	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	†O. E. S. White-side	Rev. John Wells
1905	*Wm. G. Scott...	†H. H. Campkin...	†James Scroggie ..	Henry J. Pugh...	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas...	*John R. Grant...	†Rev. Geo. H. Hogbin
1906	*John McKechnie.	†James Scroggie ..	Henry J. Pugh...	*James D. Baine..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Arthur H. Smith.	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1907	†James Scroggie ..	Henry J. Pugh..	*James D. Baine..	*John Wemyss ...	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Robert Magness ..	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1908	Henry J. Pugh..	*James D. Baine..	*John Wemyss ...	*Wm. Chambers ..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	A. N. Macpherson.	Rev. Thos. Neville
1909	*James D. Baine..	*Geo. W. Baker...	*John Wemyss ...	*Wm. Chambers .	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Joseph Greenfield.	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1910	*Geo. W. Baker..	*John Wemyss ..	*Wm. Chambers ..	Ed. M. Walker...	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Jas. E. Maynard..	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1911	*John Wemyss ...	*Wm. Chambers .	Ed. M. Walker...	Lynds S. Vaughan.	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*R. W. A. Rolph..	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1912	*Wm. Chambers .	Ed. M. Walker...	Lynds S. Vaughan.	Henry E. Bletcher.	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*John Colwell	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1913	Ed. M. Walker..	Lynds S. Vaughan.	Henry E. Bletcher.	*Percy E. Kellett..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	Robert L. Ross...	Rev. Sydney D. Thomas
1914	Lynds S. Vaughan	William Fenwick	Henry E. Bletcher.	*Percy E. Kellett..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*J. M. Robinson..	Rev. Peter E. Scott
1915	William Fenwick.	Henry E. Bletcher.	*Percy E. Kellett.	Ed. T. Greenway.	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Jno. Macwhirter .	†Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1916	Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett..	Ed. T. Greenway.	*Alex. McIntyre ..	*James G. Dagg..	*James A. Ovas...	Chas. F. Hasselfield	Rev. James S. Miller
1917	*Percy E. Kellett.	Ed. T. Greenway.	*Alex. McIntyre ..	Albert J. Hatcher.	*James G. Dagg..	*James A. Ovas...	*Jno. J. Jackson..	†Rev. Thos. G. Bethell

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1918	Ed. T. Greenway.	*Alex. McIntyre . .	Albert J. Hatcher.	Geo. N. Jackson.	*James G. Dagg. .	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	†Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1919	*Alex. McIntyre .	Albert J. Hatcher.	Geo. N. Jackson. .	Rev. A. B. Baird.	Wm. J. Major. . .	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	Rev. James W. Anderson
1920	Albert J. Hatcher	Geo. N. Jackson. .	Rev. A. B. Baird.	Wm. J. Major. .	Jabez Miller . . .	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1921	Geo. N. Jackson.	Rev. A. B. Baird.	Wm. J. Major. . .	Jas. S. MacEwing.	Jabez Miller . . .	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1922	Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major. . .	Jas. S. MacEwing.	A. L. Crossin. . .	Jabez Miller . . .	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1923	Wm. J. Major. . .	Jas. S. MacEwing.	Albert L. Crossin.	J. C. Walker Reid.	Jabez Miller . . .	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1924	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin.	J. C. Walker Reid.	Jabez Miller . . .	James Mackie . . .	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1925	Albert L. Crossin	J. C. Walker Reid.	Jabez Miller . . .	*Murdo A. Whimster	James Mackie . . .	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay
1926	J. C. Walker Reid	Jabez Miller . . .	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas .	James Mackie . . .	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay
1927	Jabez Miller . . .	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas .	George Hunter . .	James Mackie . . .	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	Rev. George W. Findlay
1928	*Murdo A. Whimster. .	William Douglas .	George Hunter . .	Norman J. Black.	*William M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	Rev. George W. Findlay
1929	William Douglas.	George Hunter . .	Norman J. Black.	David S. Woods. .	*William M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	Rev. George W. Findlay
1930	George Hunter . .	Norman J. Black.	David S. Woods. .	James Mackie . . .	*William M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	Rev. G. A. Woodside
1931	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods. .	James Mackie . . .	Henry L. Adolph.	*William M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	Rev. G. A. Woodside
1932	David S. Woods.	James Mackie . . .	Henry L. Adolph.	Royal Burritt . . .	Alex. Burgess . . .	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1933	James Mackie . .	Henry L. Adolph.	Royal Burritt . . .	Harry Woods . . .	Alex. Burgess . . .	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1934	Henry L. Adolph.	Royal Burritt . . .	Harry Woods . . .	John T. Boyd. . . .	Alex. Burgess . . .	*James A. Ovas. . .	. . . . .	Rev. George R. Calvert
1935	Royal Burritt . .	Harry Woods . . .	John T. Boyd. . .	Robert Hawkins .	Alex. Burgess . . .	J. H. G. Russell.	. . . . .	Rev. George R. Calvert
1936	Harry Woods . . .	John T. Boyd. . .	Robert Hawkins .	W. D. Lawrence. .	Alex. Burgess . . .	J. H. G. Russell.	. . . . .	Rev. Thomas Neville
1937	John T. Boyd. . .	Robert Hawkins .	W. D. Lawrence. .	J. J. Henderson. .	Alex. Burgess . . .	J. H. G. Russell.	. . . . .	Rev. Harry Sherstone
1938	Robert Hawkins. .	W. D. Lawrence. .	J. J. Henderson. .	Rev. Geo. R. Calvert	Alex. Burgess . . .	J. H. G. Russell.	. . . . .	Rev. Harry Sherstone
1939	W. D. Lawrence.	J. J. Henderson. .	Rev. Geo. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni. . . .	Alex. Burgess. . .	J. H. G. Russell. .	. . . . .	Rev. P. T. Pilkey

* Dead

† Removed from Jurisdiction

LODGE DIRECTORY

No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Worshipful Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
1	Prince Rupert's	Winnipeg	M. M. McElheran	John McRae	Third Tuesday
2	Lisgar	Selkirk	R. M. Muckle	Thos. Bunn	Third Tuesday
3	Ancient Landmark	Winnipeg	J. C. Irvine	George Syme	Third Monday
4	St. John's	Winnipeg	F. R. Sutton	Wm. Douglas	First Wednesday
6	Emerson	Emerson	T. B. Bedwell	Len. Beer	Third Thursday
7	Assiniboine	Portage la Prairie	S. H. Prowse	J. H. Reynolds	Third Monday
8	King Solomon	Morris	K. Reid	S. S. Wilton	Second Tuesday
10	Northern Light	Winnipeg	C. E. Tate	D. A. Ross	Third Thursday
11	Gladstone	Gladstone	G. Mayers	E. J. Cresswell	Second Monday
12	Stonewall	Stonewall	R. Snider	Rev. J. Anderson	Third Tuesday
13	Belmont	Morden	H. R. Heron	M. Maclean	Third Thursday
14	Prince of Wales	Minnedosa	R. A. McQuarrie	E. E. Tilley	Second Thursday
15	Corinthian	Rapid City	I. K. Gilhuly	H. G. Simpson	Tuesday on or before full moon
19	Brandon	Brandon	W. H. Long	S. H. Butler	Second Tuesday
24	Neepawa	Neepawa	Arthur Clark	Jas. McIntosh	Second Tuesday
25	Ionic	Winnipeg	R. W. B. Swail	M. Cobban	First Monday
27	Glenwood	Souris	W. W. Hase	A. W. Patrick	Second Friday
29	Carberry	Carberry	J. J. Thompson	B. W. Caldwell	Tuesday on or before full moon
30	Manitou	Manitou	J. F. McMillan	C. P. Old	First Tuesday
36	Doric	Boissevain	J. H. Vicars	C. H. Moore	Fourth Tuesday
39	Birtle	Birtle	H. L. Edwards	F. C. Barber	Tuesday on or before full moon
40	Deloraine	Deloraine	J. J. Campbell	Wm. Brown	First Wednesday
43	Lebanon	Virden	H. L. Dutton	W. L. Cann (Act.)	Tuesday on or before full moon
44	Oak Lake	Oak Lake	R. S. Montgomery	R. F. Stevens	Thursday on or before full moon
48	Glenboro	Glenboro	R. S. Sinclair	A. S. Hames	Second Monday
49	Temple	Macgregor	A. Brown	H. I. Collins	Third Tuesday
50	Killarney	Killarney	D. M. Rankin	J. C. Bate	Third Monday
51	Treherne	Treherne	J. G. Weichman	H. A. Adair	Friday on or before full moon
52	Hartney	Hartney	J. L. Crows	J. A. Callander	First Tuesday
54	Oriental	Melita	G. B. Barker	R. H. Shearer	First Friday
55	East Star	Gretna	G. E. Keyes	G. G. McEdward	First Thursday
62	Russell	Russell	D. E. Boulton	S. F. Hughes	Second Tuesday
63	Holland	Holland	P. Renwick	F. H. Dagg	Second Wednesday
64	Composite	Alexander	W. J. Critchley	D. A. Nichol	Thursday or or before full moon
67	Wawanesa	Wawanesa	F. B. MacArthur	C. L. Atkinson	Monday on or before full moon

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No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Worshipful Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
68	Vermillion	Dauphin	J. H. Conner	A. L. Wrye	First Tuesday
70	Shiloh	Roland	A. Hawley	W. E. Wagar	Second Thursday
71	Crystal	Crystal City	J. Morrison	J. P. Beckstead	Tuesday on or before full moon
74	Elkhorn	Elkhorn	C. J. Shepherd	H. J. Jones	Monday on or before full moon
75	Gothic	Austin	E. L. Westman	H. F. Johnson	Wednesday on or before full moon
77	Napinka	Napinka	V. D. Pue	T. A. Taylor	First Thursday
82	Cypress	Cypress River	R. H. Preston	R. I. Connon	First Thursday
84	Hamiota	Hamiota	E. P. Venables	L. S. Taylor	Fourth Tuesday
86	Elgin	Elgin	S. R. Maguire	E. J. Smillie	Second Tuesday
87	Rathwell	Rathwell	J. L. Smith	J. A. Draper	Tuesday on or before full moon
90	Midlothian	Miami	E. Callum	W. J. Devins	Monday on or before full moon
92	Shoal Lake	Shoal Lake	C. H. Bayfield	J. R. Stalker	Second Wednesday
93	King Edward	Winnipeg	E. I. Fritch	S. A. Restall	Third Wednesday
94	Hiram	Grandview	H. A. Linn	J. E. Johnson	Third Thursday
100	Robbie Burns	Gilbert Plains	C. F. Caldwell	M. D. Snyder	Second Wednesday
101	Binscarth	Binscarth	M. G. Murdock	G. Drew	Third Tuesday
102	Miniota	Miniota	W. A. Shean	J. J. Henderson	Fourth Thursday
103	Crescent	Elm Creek	Don McKay	H. R. Bewes	Wednesday on or before full moon
104	Reston	Reston	W. T. Ballance	A. K. Cates	Second Thursday
105	Prince Arthur	Swan River	C. E. Baudin	J. Livesey	First Thursday
106	Strathclair	Strathclair	S. G. Sinclair	H. W. Clark	Tuesday on or before full moon
107	Lansdowne	Griswold	R. Young	R. E. McCaw	Wednesday on or before full moon
108	Union	Brookdale	R. Barrett	A. L. Curtis	First Thursday
109	Swan Lake	Swan Lake	Geo. Mason	G. O. Couch	Wednesday on or before full moon
110	Kilwinning	Minto	R. G. Grieve	W. L. Leppert	Second Monday
111	Acacia	Winnipeg	T. S. Copeland	Wm. Dewar	Second Wednesday
112	Ophir	Beausejour	J. O. Jones	L. J. Pulfer	First Friday
113	Tweed	Brandon	E. C. Cowan	Wm. Fenwick	Third Tuesday
114	"The Assiniboine"	Winnipeg	Alex. Campbell	G. G. White	First Tuesday
115	Rivers	Rivers	T. W. Offen	R. G. Sinclair	Last Monday
116	St. Andrew's	Wellwood	A. Fraser	G. W. Wells	Monday on or after full moon
117	Strathcona	Belmont	S. McPhail	H. E. Hopkins	Tuesday on or before full moon
118	Mound	Pilot Mound	G. M. Graham	R. E. Hicks	Thurday on or before full moon
119	Norwood	Norwood	J. V. Dillabough	N. McDonald	Second Thursday
120	Penza	Dominion City	H. Spence	A. G. Froom	Tuesday on or after full moon

LODGE DIRECTORY—Continued

No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Worshipful Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
121	St. James	St. James	H. W. Batters	J. C. McCallum	Second Wednesday
122	Roblin	Roblin	D. F. McWhirter	I. L. Mitchell	Second Monday
123	Transcona	Transcona	J. M. Fowlis	F. G. Turner	First Friday
124	The Pas	The Pas	R. B. Hagarty	J. Ridyard	First Wednesday
125	Patricia	Sperling	J. L. Hamilton	J. H. Maclean	First Wednesday
126	Favel	Minitonas	Jas. Maltman	G. H. Holmes	First Tuesday
127	Empire	Weston	W. Woodhouse	E. Thompson	Second Monday
128	Victory	Benito	E. H. E. Smith	J. W. Herd	First Wednesday
129	Shellmouth	Shellmouth	H. Gilhooly	G. F. Hilbert	First Thursday
130	Fort Garry	Winnipeg	Alex. E. Duff	Col. R. Burritt	Second Wednesday
131	Kildonan	Winnipeg	G. H. Timbers	C. M. Smillie	Second Tuesday
132	Sprague	Sprague	Thos. McCarthy	J. R. Gray	Second Wednesday
133	McCreary	McCreary	P. R. Belford	T. E. Squire	Second Thursday
134	Stony Mountain	Stony Mountain	J. F. Nelson	Thos. Clayton	First Wednesday
136	Capitol	Winnipeg	T. A. Pascoe	George Newman	First Friday
137	Lord Selkirk	Winnipeg	H. M. Hoover	G. R. Mackay	Second Wednesday
138	Windsor	St. Vital	E. Wallace	H. B. Donnelly	Second Monday
139	Beaver	Winnipeg	John Strathdee	S. W. Robertson	Second Thursday
140	Meridian	Winnipeg	D. A. King Sr.	E. H. Crawford	Third Thursday
141	Tuscan	Winnipeg	J. McKenzie	Alex. Simpson	Second Friday
142	Harmony	Cardale	E. A. Corbett	S. W. Smith	Third Thursday
143	Mt. Sinai	Winnipeg	I. Guttman	Harry Genaske	Fourth Thursday
144	Fort Osborne	Winnipeg	J. V. Jonasson	T. J. Booth	Third Tuesday
145	Sturgeon Creek	Winnipeg	R. M. Gibson	D. A. Best	First Monday
146	Fidelity	Winnipeg	D. C. Duncan	A. Sandilands	Third Friday
147	Jubilee	Bowsman	K. W. Heaps	F. D. Clark	Second Thursday
148	Seven Oaks	Winnipeg	James Love	A. C. Pritchard	Second Friday
150	Cartwright	Cartwright	W. H. Newton	J. E. Lysecki	Thursday on or before full moon
151	The Dormer	Winnipeg	John Elder	J. Buchan	First Tuesday
152	Foxwarren	Foxwarren	G. M. Graham	W. E. Hall	Wednesday on or after full moon
153	Flin Flon	Flin Flon	E. E. Foster	C. C. Setterington	First Tuesday
154	Pine Falls	Pine Falls	Alex. W. H. Lee	E. J. Kable	Second Friday
155	Carman	Carman	A. E. Clayton	F. W. Evans	Third Tuesday
U.D.	Manitouwapa	Moosehorn	Thos. Gelmon	J. H. Murray	Third Wednesday

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1938

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1	Prince Rupert	5	6	4	2	1	5	....	....	10	453	446
2	Lisgar	2	3	3	1	1	....	....	....	....	130	134
3	Ancient Landmark	....	2	2	....	....	7	13	....	7	420	393
4	St. John's	7	8	6	2	....	5	35	....	11	663	621
6	Emerson	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	70	70
7	Assiniboine	2	3	3	1	....	1	1	....	6	196	191
8	King Solomon	1	1	....	2	2	....	....	....	1	59	63
10	Northern Light	6	6	4	2	1	10	3	....	3	300	293
11	Gladstone	2	2	2	3	3	1	....	....	2	66	71
12	Stonewall	3	3	6	....	2	6	5	....	....	101	95
13	Belmont	4	7	7	2	1	....	....	....	3	71	75
14	Prince of Wales	1	1	....	1	....	1	6	....	3	108	100
15	Corinthian	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	56	57
19	Brandon	5	5	5	1	....	3	8	....	5	206	196
24	Neepawa	....	....	....	2	1	2	3	....	1	139	136
25	Ionic	11	10	10	9	12	8	6	....	11	524	531
27	Glenwood	10	10	9	2	....	2	....	....	5	120	125
29	Carberry	1	1	2	....	1	1	....	....	1	70	70
30	Manitou	3	2	2	....	1	2	4	....	1	53	50
36	Doric	4	3	3	....	1	2	....	....	....	81	84
39	Birtle	3	1	1	....	....	2	6	....	2	57	50
40	Deloraine and Waskada 149	4	3	3	18	1	3	3	....	....	52	69
43	Lebanon	3	3	3	2	....	2	6	....	1	75	71
44	Oak Lake	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	2	31	30
48	Glenboro	2	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	43	45
49	Temple	2	2	2	....	....	2	1	....	....	76	75

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1938—Continued

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50	Killarney	2	2	2	1	1	3	....	....	....	67	68
51	Treherne	1	1	1	....	....	3	....	....	....	44	42
52	Hartney	1	....	....	1	....	....	10	....	1	84	75
54	Oriental	....	....	....	2	....	1	....	....	1	47	47
55	East Star	....	....	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	48	48
62	Russell	....	1	3	....	....	....	3	....	4	57	50
63	Holland	3	3	3	....	....	2	1	....	....	54	54
64	Composite	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	50	49
67	Wawanesa	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	40	41
68	Vermilion	6	5	5	4	....	2	8	....	3	146	143
70	Shiloh	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	57	59
71	Crystal	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	2	39	35
74	Elkhorn	....	1	1	2	....	4	3	....	1	46	40
75	Gothic	....	....	....	....	....	4	10	....	....	60	46
77	Napinka	3	3	3	....	....	....	....	....	1	61	63
82	Cypress	1	1	1	....	1	2	1	....	....	35	34
84	Hamiota	....	....	....	....	1	2	1	....	1	55	52
86	Elgin	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	1	59	56
87	Rathwell	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	....	1	26	25
90	Midlothian	....	....	....	1	2	2	3	....	2	67	63
92	Shoal Lake	1	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	1	73	74
93	King Edward	3	2	2	1	3	4	23	....	5	380	355
94	Hiram	2	2	2	....	2	1	....	....	2	55	56
100	Robbie Burns	....	....	1	1	1	2	2	....	....	37	35
101	Binscarth	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	38	38
102	Miniota	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	62	61
103	Crescent	1	....	....	....	....	3	2	....	1	45	40

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1938—Continued

No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Dimitted	Sus-pended N.P.D.	Sus-pended U.M.C.	Died	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1937	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1938
104	Reston	5	5	4	1	3	2	2	....	....	93	98
105	Prince Arthur	....	....	....	1	3	....	....	....	1	58	61
106	Strathclair	1	1	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	41	43
107	Lansdowne	2	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	34	35
108	Union	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	....	2	40	34
109	Swan Lake	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	21	20
110	Kilwinning	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	43	43
111	Acacia	2	2	2	4	....	2	5	....	3	203	199
112	Ophir	2	2	2	....	1	1	2	....	1	68	67
113	Tweed	5	3	3	2	....	6	2	....	3	255	251
114	"The Assiniboine"	2	2	2	3	1	6	4	....	9	379	366
115	Rivers	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	44	43
116	St. Andrews	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	42	43
117	Strathcona	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	55	55
118	Mound	....	....	....	1	....	1	1	....	....	52	51
119	Norwood	2	2	2	4	....	7	....	....	2	190	187
120	Penza	....	....	....	....	....	2	12	....	1	48	33
121	St. James	1	1	1	2	....	....	5	....	2	149	145
122	Roblin	....	....	....	1	1	....	1	....	....	32	33
123	Transcona	2	1	1	1	....	1	2	....	2	123	121
124	The Pas	3	1	1	....	....	1	8	....	....	98	92
125	Patricia	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	27	25
126	Favel	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	36	37
127	Empire	1	1	2	....	1	8	4	....	2	135	123
128	Victory	1	....	....	....	....	1	2	....	....	35	33
129	Shellmouth	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	....	....	26	23

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1938—Continued

No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Dimitted	Sus-pended N.P.D.	Sus-pended U.M.C.	Died	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1937	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1938
130	Fort Garry	8	9	9	1	....	2	8	....	3	195	191
131	Kildonan	3	3	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	89	92
132	Sprague	1	1	1	....	1	1	3	....	1	33	30
133	McCreary	1	1	1	....	....	5	1	....	1	41	35
134	Stony Mountain	....	2	2	....	....	....	2	....	1	61	58
135	Concord	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	13	13
136	Capitol	4	4	4	....	1	4	2	....	1	172	170
137	Lord Selkirk	....	....	....	1	....	6	....	....	4	117	108
138	Windsor	2	2	2	1	....	3	....	....	1	139	138
139	Beaver	5	5	6	4	1	3	5	....	....	199	201
140	Meridian	11	....	....	2	....	3	3	....	2	236	241
141	Tuscan	7	4	6	3	....	1	2	....	1	59	65
142	Harmony	2	2	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	16	18
143	Mt. Sinai	8	3	6	2	....	....	2	....	1	193	200
144	Fort Osborne	3	5	4	2	....	....	3	....	1	100	101
145	Sturgeon Creek	1	2	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	83	84
146	Fidelity	4	4	1	2	....	2	....	....	2	102	104
147	Jubilee	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	39	40
148	Seven Oaks	1	1	1	....	....	3	....	....	1	93	90
150	Cartwright	1	1	1	2	....	....	....	....	....	29	32
151	The Dormer	3	2	2	2	....	1	1	....	....	44	47
152	Foxwarren	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	33	33
153	Flin Flon	3	3	3	....	....	2	1	....	....	83	83
154	Pine Falls	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	42	42
155	Carman	....	....	....	2	....	1	3	....	....	48	46
	Grand Totals...	207	182	181	115	56	181	265		157	10658	10413

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1938

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
1	Prince Rupert's	9	4	13	126	320	104	65	632.00	938.01	2045.65	407.25	21005.49	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
3	Ancient Landmark	9	2	11	77	316	64	41	1462.00	676.00	410.99	Nil	28150.52	2400.00	Active	1	Rent
4	St. John's	10	11	21	120	501	120	112	2028.00	992.93	2517.07	105.00	35246.14	7750.00	Active	1	Rent
10	Northern Light	9	3	12	81	210	77	71	560.00	552.00	1009.03	Nil	10695.44	1200.00	Active	1	Rent
25	Ionic	10	14	24	103	428	102	103	1841.50	849.50	1703.13	304.50	49235.18	10500.00	Active	1	Rent
93	King Edward	9	3	12	80	273	70	177	2704.00	928.12	39.45	75.00	9088.26	2200.00	Active	1	Rent
111	Acacia	9	4	13	52	147	73	87	905.00	185.85	424.33	158.60	6621.54	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
114	"The Assiniboine"	10	0	10	89	276	67	76	800.00	654.30	50.00	Nil	11766.89	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
119	Norwood	9	3	12	25	162	56	59	915.00	99.69	177.39	2340.00	6052.39	7200.00	Active	1	Own
121	St. James	9	3	12	13	132	52	26	295.00	43.45	2470.19	132.50	3687.69	850.00	Active	1	Rent
127	Empire	9	2	11	20	103	40	39	357.00	277.60	107.64	22.00	4018.58	3000.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1938

7	Assiniboine	10	6	16	78	113	36	62	600.00	50.00	3935.31	5835.69	15259.69	13100.00	Active	1	Own
11	Gladstone	12	3	15	23	46	20	12	84.00	10.00	223.07	45.00	4220.00	3000.00	Active	1	Own
24	Neepawa	10	2	12	63	73	43	34	490.00	315.00	1211.00	1521.07	3675.00	500.00	Active	1	Rent
29	Carberry	9	3	12	22	48	22	23	233.00	10.00	101.69	21.68	2300.00	1500.00	Active	2	Own
49	Temple	12	0	12	22	47	29	18	160.00	25.00	100.00	Nil	250.00	2500.00	Active	2	Own
75	Gothic	11	1	12	18	24	12	12	88.00	Nil	245.12	Nil	245.12	1500.00	Active	2	Own
108	Union	8	3	11	17	17	10	9	95.00	Nil	65.00	Nil	1800.00	1300.00	Active	2	Own
116	St. Andrew's	11	1	12	28	15	13	20	112.00	50.00	100.00	Nil	1200.00	200.00	Active	1	Own
133	McCreary	9	2	11	11	23	14	12	185.00	Nil	161.36	Nil	727.00	400.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1938

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
48	Glenboro	10	..	10	14	31	16	16	133.00	86.50	186.67	99.80	714.92	375.00	Active	1	Rent
51	Treherne	12	1	13	12	30	16.5	6	80.00	Nil	118.13	1206.57	1643.56	2000.00	Active	1	Own
63	Holland	11	1	12	15	39	23	8	70.00	20.00	215.00	Nil	525.00	300.00	Active	1	Rent
67	Wawanesa	8	..	8	15	26	17	15	383.00	Nil	54.05	Nil	300.00	250.00	Active	1	Rent
82	Cypress	9	1	10	20	14	12.9	18	170.00	Nil	34.00	84.00	210.00	100.00	Active	2	Rent
89	Rathwell	10	2	12	5	20	12	6	56.00	Nil	45.00	Nil	500.00	300.00	Active	2	Rent
103	Crescent	8	..	8	13	27	13	14	140.00	Nil	595.59	Nil	595.59	300.00	Active	1	Rent
109	Swan Lake	6	1	7	8	12	9	3	50.00	Nil	85.00	Nil	280.00	200.00	Active	1	Rent
117	Strathcona	11	2	13	31	25	13	22	180.00	Nil	953.00	Nil	953.00	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1938

13	Belmont	10	6	16	31	44	35	15	114.00	Nil	170.49	30.00	800.00	500.00	Active	1	Rent
30	Manitou	10	..	10	18	32	13	12	72.00	Nil	2626.81	Nil	3123.99	350.00	Active	1	Rent
36	Doric	12	1	13	11	72	32	25	155.00	14.50	428.84	Nil	2632.00	2500.00	Active	2	Own
50	Killarney	12	..	12	18	48	14	11	55.00	Nil	866.00	Nil	866.00	250.00	Active	1	Rent
71	Crystal	10	..	10	8	27	12	9	55.00	Nil	83.55	Nil	260.00	Nil	Active	1	Rent
118	Mound	10	..	10	15	36	13	19	183.00	88.00	397.67	Nil	680.67	100.00	Active	1	Rent
150	Cartwright	10	..	10	3	29	14	12	75.00	Nil	119.76	Nil	119.76	250.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1938

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
14	Prince of Wales	10	3	13	31	70	23	28	416.00	Nil	195.30	1158.30	6502.80	6000.00	Active	1	Own
15	Corinthian	12	1	13	14	43	16	26	321.00	12.00	118.82	25.30	2425.00	1800.00	Active	.....	Own
39	Birtle	12	..	12	17	33	14	17	129.00	20.00	167.50	Nil	2841.34	1500.00	Active	2	Own
62	Russell	10	2	12	21	29	15	15	250.00	50.00	40.00	Nil	40.00	1200.00	Active	2	Rent
84	Hamiota	7	1	8	13	39	13.6	4	140.00	Nil	407.71	7.60	600.11	200.00	Active	1	Rent
92	Shoal Lake	11	..	11	28	46	25	30	299.00	Nil	284.60	35.75	1295.85	500.00	Active	1	Rent
101	Binscarth	9	1	10	10	28	9	20	504.00	Nil	60.00	304.00	Nil	500.00	Fair	1	Rent
102	Miniota	12	..	12	23	38	19.1	9	45.00	15.00	676.95	Nil	2596.95	2025.00	Active	1	Own
106	Strathclair	12	1	13	19	23	13	15	193.00	24.30	105.81	16.99	1185.00	1000.00	Active	1	Own
115	Rivers	9	1	10	24	19	10	16	262.30	12.00	143.53	Nil	689.18	200.00	Active	2	Rent
129	Shellmouth	10	1	11	11	12	9	6	50.00	Nil	9.28	450.00	1500.00	1250.00	Fair	2	Own
142	Harmony	10	..	10	4	14	10.6	5	25.00	Nil	98.66	Nil	500.00	500.00	Active	1	Rent
152	Foxwarren	11	..	11	7	26	14.5	6	66.00	Nil	239.45	Nil	1673.45	1000.00	Fair	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1938

27	Glenwood	12	8	20	50	75	30	40	306.00	Nil	183.76	Nil	2600.00	1500.00	Active	1	Rent
40	Deloraine	12	1	13	23	46	22	11	119.50	20.00	325.47	Nil	2319.97	375.00	Active	1	Rent
52	Hartney	10	1	11	17	58	27	44	370.00	133.00	34.69	Nil	1547.69	800.00	Active	1	Rent
54	Oriental	9	..	9	22	24	16	16	455.00	Nil	312.72	41.60	1267.72	500.00	Active	1	Rent
77	Napinka	10	..	10	30	34	17	25	Nil	Nil	136.49	48.75	Nil	100.00	Active	1	Rent
86	Elgin	11	1	12	9	47	19	17	160.00	40.00	522.30	Nil	Nil	Nil	Active	1	Rent
104	Reston	12	5	17	15	83	31	27	235.24	35.15	245.41	543.20	6964.95	4500.00	Active	1	Own
110	Kilwinning	9	2	11	17	26	11	18	137.40	15.00	609.09	5.00	894.99	300.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1938

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
64	Composite.....	8	1	9	22	27	15	11	100.00	Nil	221.10	Nil	1300.00	1000.00	Active	.....	Own
43	Lebanon.....	11	2	13	38	33	29	15	175.50	10.02	311.96	74.00	813.40	300.00	Active	1	Rent
44	Oak Lake.....	10	2	12	9	21	14	14	117.00	50.00	56.60	Nil	1550.00	1250.00	Active	1	Own
19	Brandon.....	10	5	15	73	123	31	42	252.00	115.50	1371.51	214.36	7264.79	150.00	Active	1	Rent
74	Elkhorn.....	10	..	10	23	25	14	10	79.50	13.00	138.95	2951.90	799.60	2500.00	Active	1	Own
107	Lansdowne.....	5	..	5	7	28	12	9	120.00	Nil	161.41	100.00	64.41®	170.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1938

6	Emerson.....	12	..	12	36	34	19	24	390.00	Nil	54.00	Nil	5000.00	3700.00	Active	1	Own
8	King Solomon...	12	..	12	30	32	15	12	118.00	Nil	4.43	Nil	3000.00	2000.00	Active	1	Own
55	East Star....	10	..	10	32	16	13	11	145.00	Nil	281.00	Nil	681.00	400.00	Active	2	Rent
70	Shiloh.....	12	..	12	18	54	28	12	78.00	50.00	803.20	Nil	803.20	250.00	Active	1	Rent
90	Midlothian.....	8	3	11	25	38	15	15	100.00	Nil	148.02	185.00	1058.50	500.00	Active	1	Rent
120	Penza.....	7	1	8	7	26	10.1	10	60.00	24.00	98.00	Nil	Nil	1500.00	Active	1	Own
125	Patricia.....	10	1	11	8	17	12.7	0	Nil	10.00	60.66	Nil	645.66	300.00	Active	.....	Rent
155	Carman..	9	..	9	10	36	17	7	74.00	Nil	34.27	90.00	512.27	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1938

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
68	Vermillion	11	4	15	52	91	29	46	616.06	83.90	351.69	Nil	5460.05	2000.00	Active	1	Rent
94	Hiram	13	2	15	21	34	19	9	86.00	30.00	91.11	88.85	2012.81	1750.00	Active	1	Own
100	Robbie Burns	11	..	11	16	19	12	4	101.00	22.00	176.10	59.40	372.80	200.00	Active	1	Rent
105	Prince Arthur	12	2	14	26	34	18	12	175.00	Nil	176.21	157.60	543.61	450.00	Active	2	Rent
122	Roblin	12	1	13	7	26	14	6	75.00	25.00	89.89	150.00	175.00	500.00	Active	2	Own
126	Favel	10	..	10	13	25	10	17	326.00	Nil	160.38	1143.00	500.00	1500.00	Active	1	Own
128	Victory	9	1	10	15	18	11	12	86.00	Nil	13.51	50.00	250.00	300.00	Active	1	Rent
147	Jubilee	10	3	13	15	26	12	9	93.00	15.00	30.39	64.00	300.00	500.00	Active	2	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1938

2	Lisgar	9	3	12	46	87	36	33	480.00	Nil	40.00	2376.00	2000.00	4500.00	Active	1	Own
12	Stonewall	12	..	12	25	70	27.3	21	125.00	80.00	186.42	Nil	3466.94	1400.00	Active	1	Own
112	Ophir	11	1	12	14	53	17	11	140.00	Nil	194.70	850.00	3000.00	2800.00	Active	1	Own
123	Transcona	10	1	11	17	104	35	45	775.00	54.21	259.64	711.42	1105.22	500.00	Active	1	Rent
131	Kildonan	9	1	10	10	82	35	35	430.00	44.09	108.64	67.32	4704.47	4500.00	Active	1	Own
134	Stony Mountain	10	4	14	32	27	18	18	142.00	Nil	204.64	Nil	2854.64	1400.00	Active	1	Own
148	Seven Oaks	9	1	10	9	81	40	31	336.00	41.95	1087.37	103.00	4664.23	800.00	Active	1	Rent
151	The Dormer	9	1	10	2	45	25.4	6	60.00	5.00	454.76	92.60	1409.16	500.00	Active	1	Rent
154	Pine Falls	10	..	10	8	33	14	..	52.00	10.00	741.93	20.50	1310.15	400.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1938

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
130	Fort Garry	9	7	16	22	169	55	57	631.65	220.50	649.97	Nil	4370.16	1000.00	Active	2	Rent
136	Capitol	9	1	10	26	144	59	53	545.00	630.00	1862.39	Nil	1862.39	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
137	Lord Selkirk	9	3	12	20	88	45	33	480.00	64.10	139.22	Nil	2932.47	500.00	Active	2	Rent
138	Windsor	10	2	12	18	120	50	47	692.50	50.00	440.07	3442.16	11160.61	6400.00	Active	1	Own
139	Beaver	9	3	12	45	156	58	63	552.85	125.00	1294.24	78.00	4283.80	500.00	Active	2	Rent
140	Meridian	9	2	11	30	211	95	112	1125.00	97.00	500.21	307.00	8078.37	2000.00	Active	1	Own
141	Tuscan	9	..	9	11	54	25	18	210.00	66.26	824.95	98.52	726.43	350.00	Active	1	Rent
143	Mount Sinai	9	1	10	25	175	65	66	1292.00	276.00	103.78	113.00	5713.32	Nil	Active	1	Rent
144	Fort Osborne	9	2	11	17	84	32	26	230.45	315.00	2134.93	52.00	2860.22	750.00	Active	1	Rent
145	Sturgeon Creek	9	..	9	9	75	44	16	137.00	25.00	502.28	Nil	736.97	400.00	Active	1	Rent
146	Fidelity	9	2	11	1	103	36	27	290.00	216.52	268.51	131.02	3068.51	200.00	Active	1	Own

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Address
Alabama	Guy F. Smith	Montgomery
Alberta	J. H. W. S. Kemmis	Calgary
Alpina	F. Muller-Ruegg	Bern, Switzerland
Arizona	Harry A. Drachman	Tucson
Arkansas	W. A. Thomas	Little Rock
British Columbia	Frank S. McKee	Vancouver
California	John Whicher	San Francisco
Canada (in Ontario)	Ewart G. Dixon	Hamilton
Chili	Rod Castro Oliveria	Santiago
Columbia, G.L.N.	Americo Carnicelli	Bogota, Apar. 2519
Colorado	Charles A. Patton	Denver
Connecticut	Winthrop Buck	Hartford
Costa Rica	Edward Sasso	San Jose
Cuba	Dr. Luis Reyes	Havana, Apartado, 72
Delaware	John F. Robinson	Wilmington
Denmark N.G.L.	A. T. K. Troedsson	Copenhagen, 33 Smallegade
District of Columbia	J. Claude Kieper	Washington, D.C.
Ecuador	Dr. C. A. Rolando	Guayaquil
England	Sydney A. White	London
Egypt	A. M. Younis	Cairo, Box 148
Florida	Geo. W. Huff	Jacksonville
France, Grand Lodge of	Maurice Tanon	Paris, 8 Rue Puteau
France, N.G.L.	W. J. Combes	Paris
Guatemala	Pedro Donis O.	Guatemala City
Georgia	Frank F. Baker	Macon
Honduras, C.A.	Carlos A. Zuniga	Honduras, C.A.
Idaho	Curtis F. Pike	Boise
Illinois	R. C. Davenport	Harrisburg
Indiana	William H. Swintz	Indianapolis
Iowa	Charles C. Hunt	Cedar Rapids
Ireland	Henry C. Shellard	Dublin
Kansas	Elmer F. Strain	Topeka
Kentucky	Al. E. Orton	Louisville, 200 Shubert Bldg.
Louisiana	D. Peter Laguens, Jr.	New Orleans
Maine	Convers E. Leach	Portland
Manitoba	J. H. G. Russell	Winnipeg
Maryland	Harry C. Mueller	Baltimore
Massachusetts	F. W. Hamilton	Boston
Mexico, York G.L. of	Fred T. Berger	Mexico City, D.F. Apartado, 1986
Michigan	F. Homer Newton	Grand Rapids
Minnesota	John H. Anderson	St. Paul
Mississippi	Sid. F. Curtis	Meridian
Missouri	Arthur Mather	St. Louis
Montana	Luther T. Hauberg	Helena
Nebraska	Lewis E. Smith	Omaha
Netherlands G. O.	A. F. L. Faubel	The Hague
Nevada	E. C. Peterson	Carson City
New Brunswick	J. Melvin Dresser	Concord
New Jersey	Isaac Cherry	Trenton
New Mexico	Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque
New South Wales	David Cunningham	Sydney
New York	Charles H. Johnson	New York
New Zealand	H. A. Lamb	P.O. Box 1293, Christchurch Cl.

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESS OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES—Continued

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Address
North Carolina	John H. Anderson	Raleigh
North Dakota	Walter L. Stockwell	Fargo
Norway	Eivind Lewig-Hansen	Oslo
Nova Scotia	James C. Jones	Halifax
Ohio	Harry S. Johnson	Cincinnati
Oklahoma	Claude A. Sturgeon	Guthrie
Oregon	D. R. Cheney	Portland
Panama	Andres Mojica	Panama, Apartado 84
Paraiba	Jose Calisto C. Nobrega	Paraiba, Brazil Box 3
Pennsylvania	Matthew Galt, Jr.	Philadelphia
Philippine Islands	Teodoro M. Kalaw	Manila
Porto Rico	Rodolfe Ramirez Pabon	San Juan
Prince Edward Island	C. M. Wiliams	Charlottetown
Quebec	W. W. Williamson	Montreal
Queensland	Leslie P. Marks	Brisbane
Rhode Island	H. L. McAuslan	Providence
Rio de Janeiro	Edgard de Alencar	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Rua do Carmo 64-10
Santa Domingo	Jose Marie Perez Andujar	Santa Domingo
Saskatchewan	Robert A. Tate	Regina
Sao Paulo	Elisiarie Pinto Lima	Sao Paulo, Brazil
Scotland	Thomas G. Winning	Edinburgh
South Africa	F. L. Knight	Cape Town
South Australia	R. Owen Fox	Adelaide
South Carolina	O. Frank Hart	Columbia
South Dakota	W. D. Swain	Sioux Falls
Tasmania	W. H. Strutt	Hobart
Tennessee	Thomas E. Doss	Nashville
Texas	George H. Belew	Waco
Utah	S. H. Goodwin	Salt Lake City
Vermont	A. S. Harriman	Burlington
Victoria	William Stewart	Melbourne
Virginia	James F. Clift	Richmond
Washington	Horace W. Tyler	Tacoma
West Virginia	I. Wade Coffman	Charleston
Western Australia	A. E. Jensen	Perth
Wisconsin	William F. Weiler	Milwaukee
Wyoming	J. M. Lowndes	Casper

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	Chas. H. Stubinger	Birmingham	Mar. 10, 1937
Alberta	John S. Stewart	Lethbridge	May 2,1921
Alpina	John Stucke	Bergstrasse 88 (Zurich-7)	Jan. 5, 1939
Arizona	William Y. Murdock	Phoenix	Dec. 1, 1928
Arkansas	John H. Pinson	El-Dorado	Mar. 27, 1925
British Columbia	Donald Adams	Revelstoke	Oct. 13, 1930
Canada (in Ontario)	Frederick Cook	Ottawa	Nov. 19, 1915
Chili	Artouro de la Cruz	Santiago	Oct. 14, 1929
Columbia, G.L.N.	Francis H. Grob	Bogota	Jan. 5, 1939
Colorado	Jethro C. Sanford	Durango	Sept. 10, 1918
Connecticut	Willard A. Hunt	Forestville	April 22, 1939
Costa Rica	Iric C. Murray	San Jose	Aug. 1, 1921
Cuba, Island of	Thomas C. Sierria	Havana	June 6, 1923
Delaware	Louis S. Cain	Wilmington	Jan. 29, 1927
Denmark N.G.L.	C. E. Monrath-Oxholm	Copenhagen	Aug. 7, 1931
District of Columbia	Needham C. Tumage	Washington	July 20, 1908
Ecuador	Octavio Moran	Guayaquil	July 21, 1932
England			
Egypt	Alfred Seffer	Cairo	Dec. 8, 1925
Florida	George B. Glover	Monticello	May 30, 1904
France, Grand Lodge of	Louis Doignon	Paris	Nov. 29, 1926
France, N.G.L.	J. C. D. Scarlett	Paris	April 26, 1936
Guatemala	Carlos A. Gieseler	Guatemala	June 10, 1925
Georgia	John A. Bishop	Atlanta	Feb. 1, 1933
Honduras, C. A.	Jesus M. Lopez	Honduras	Dec. 1, 1931
Idaho	George M. Scott	Idaho Falls	Jan. 21, 1919
Illinois	G. Haven Stephens	Danville	Aug. 30, 1924
Indiana	George W. Schneider	New Albany	April 17, 1903
Ireland	David Ferris	Newry	Nov. 1, 1921
Kansas	Harold B. Groff	Topeka	Sept. 18, 1936
Kentucky	John L. Vest	Louisville	Aug. 15, 1927
Louisiana	Daniel B. Harman	Lake Charles	Sept. 20, 1927
Maine	Albert M. Ames	Stockton Springs	Nov. 24, 1908
Maryland	J. Fletcher Fairbank	St. Michael's	April 15, 1935
Massachusetts	Edwin O. Childs	Newton	Nov. 5, 1936
Mexico, York G.L. of	R. B. E. Turnbull	Mexico City	July 6, 1933
Michigan	Louis Anderson	Omena	June 1, 1932
Minnesota	Lloyd Peabody	St. Paul	Nov. 29, 1931
Mississippi	A. F. Copeland	Leland	April 19, 1932
Missouri	Harris C. Johnston	Boonville	Nov. 16, 1936
Montana	W. J. Johnston	Thompson Falls	July 8, 1937
Nebraska	John A. Van Anda	Freemont	May 18, 1938
Netherlands G. O.	K. G. Jorksveld	Utrecht	Feb. 2, 1939
Nevada	Sam. P. Kafoury	Yerington	June 2, 1933
New Brunswick	Donald Munro	Woodstock	April 20, 1892
New Hampshire	Walter C. Chesley	Northwood	April 10, 1934
New Jersey	James F. Russell	Jersey City	April 1, 1923
New Mexico	Earl A. Turner	Las Vegas	July 8, 1937
New South Wales	E. E. Cupit	Sydney	Oct. 13, 1923
New York	Edwin W. Seager	Randolph	Feb. 2, 1939
New Zealand	Gilbert T. Bull	Gisborne	Oct. 15, 1909
North Carolina	J. L. Peacock	Tarboro	July 1935
North Dakota	Paul B. Griffiths	Grand Forks	Jan. 5, 1939

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES—Continued

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Norway	Jans W. Berg	Christiana	Nov. 1, 1921
Nova Scotia	W. E. Thompson	Halifax	April 18, 1934
Ohio	William H. Maddox	Roseville	April 15, 1939
Oklahoma	Clyde Ray	Tulsa	Sept. 29, 1937
Oregon	Wilmot K. Royal	Portland	Dec. 4, 1933
Panama	Raymond L. Toledano	Panama	Dec. 1, 1926
Paraiba	Dr. Arlindo Correa	Paraiba, Brazil	July 10, 1939
Philippine Islands	Rafael Palma	Manila	Mar. 17, 1919
Puerto Rico	George W. Robert	San Juan	Oct. 1, 1917
Prince Edward Island	Donald Baker	Summerside	May 8, 1936
Quebec	W. R. Allen	Montreal	Jan. 14, 1918
Queensland	William K. McLuckie	Brisbane	June 1, 1923
Rhode Island	Harold L. McAuslan	Providence	April 16, 1928
Rio de Janeiro	Leon Benshat	Rio de Janeiro	Feb. 20, 1931
Sao Paulo	Carlos Reis Filho	Sao Paulo Brazil	Jan. 5, 1939
Saskatchewan	William R. McConnell	Regina	July 2, 1921
Scotland	Rev. Hugh F. Reid	Chirnside	Jan. 8, 1930
South Australia	E. J. Copping	Adelaide	Aug. 1, 1930
South Carolina	William W. Gregory	Inman	May 15, 1934
South Dakota	W. D. Swain	Sioux Falls	Jan. 15, 1937
Tasmania	R. V. W. Green	Launceston	April 24, 1928
Tennessee	Ira Parker	Nashville	Mar. 1, 1932
Texas	J. W. Pender	Denton	Mar. 1, 1931
Utah	Arthur J. Love	Salt Lake City	Mar. 1, 1922
Vermont	Charles B. Adams	Waterbury	Feb. 5, 1923
Victoria	Edgar J. Carter	Melbourne	Sept. 10, 1934
Virginia	Lynwood P. Harrell	Roanoke	Aug. 15, 1927
Washington	A. E. Emerson	Ellenburg	Dec. 8, 1916
West Virginia	James Luke, Jr.	New Cumberland	Dec. 10, 1898
Western Australia	Arthur G. Stiles	Perth	Aug. 16, 1934
Wisconsin	Ray H. Watson	Milwaukee	May 1, 1939

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Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	Francis H. Dagg	Holland	Mar. 31, 1920
Alberta	Hugh M. Kerr	Brandon	Nov. 25, 1930
Alpina	W. C. Birt	Winnipeg	
Arizona	Edward G. Hunt	Winnipeg	June 21, 1923
Arkansas	James R. Reid	Brandon	May 22, 1935
British Columbia	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset	Selkirk	June 10, 1924
Canada (in Ontario)	J. C. Walker Reid	Elgin	June 10, 1924
Chili	Norman J. Black	Winnipeg	May 13, 1929
Columbia, G.L.N.	T. W. Neelands	Swan River	Feb. 12, 1939
Colorado	Kenneth R. Kennedy	Winnipeg	Mar. 5, 1938
Connecticut	Maurice S. Donovan	Brandon	May 21, 1935
Costa Rica	Robert McKenzie	Roland	May 30, 1933
Cuba, Island of	George Syme	Winnipeg	Mar. 22, 1937
Delaware	John Coulter	Treherne	April 2, 1915
Denmark N.G.L.	Stanley H. Fabrni	Gladstone	Oct. 17, 1930
District of Columbia	Alfred H. Steventon	Winnipeg	May 18, 1932
Ecuador	Christian Weichman	Treherne	June 1935
England	William J. Major	Winnipeg	June 12, 1935
Egypt	Edward T. Hardman	Oak River	June 2, 1934
Florida	Robert Hawkins	Dauphin	Aug. 16, 1937
France, Grand Lodge of	Joseph W. Gordon	Winnipeg	Dec. 15, 1929
France, G. L. Nationale	Charles A. Midwinter	Winnipeg	Mar. 3, 1937
Guatemala	J. J. Sinclair	Winnipeg	
Georgia	J. H. G. Russell	Winnipeg	June 1, 1928
Honduras, C.A.	Andrew G. Cowan	Winnipeg	Oct. 17, 1930
Idaho	Hector French	Stony Mountain	June 1, 1928
Illinois	William R. Leslie	Morden	June 21, 1931
Indiana	Irwin L. Mitchell	Roblin	June 9, 1924
Ireland	John T. Boyd	Winnipeg	Oct. 3, 1935
Kansas	Jabez Miller	Winnipeg	June 15, 1914
Kentucky	James L. Lawson	Winnipeg	June 24, 1927
Louisiana	Charles E. Cole	Portage la Prairie	Feb. 28, 1938
Maine	W. D. Harper	Emerson	Jan. 19, 1937
Maryland	Norman McDougall	Emerson	April 29, 1930
Massachusetts	Rev. Geo. W. Findlay	St. James	May 1, 1929
Mexico, York G.L. of			
Michigan	Rev. Andrew B. Baird	Winnipeg	Mar. 26, 1920
Minnesota	Ben C. Parker	Winnipeg	Jan. 13, 1938
Mississippi	George N. Jackson	Winnipeg	Mar. 30, 1902
Missouri	Maris H. Garton	Boissevain	Jan. 31, 1934
Montana	Edwin T. Johnson	Boissevain	May 16, 1928
Nebraska	Hugh Mackenzie	Winnipeg	Nov. 15, 1935
Netherlands G. O.	A. L. Crossin	Winnipeg	July 9, 1921
Nevada	Thomas A. Argue	Winnipeg	June 13, 1924
New Brunswick	Rev. Geo. R. Calvert	Winnipeg	April 27, 1938
New Hampshire	George Hunter	Deloraine	Dec. 6, 1926
New Jersey	Henry Burke	Winnipeg	May 16, 1921
New Mexico	H. B. Donnelly	St. Vital	July 1937
New South Wales	James Mackie	Winnipeg	June 10, 1921
New York	Rev. Geo. A. Woodside	Winnipeg	May 14, 1932
New Zealand	Samuel Burland	St. Vital	Mar. 22, 1937
North Carolina	W. D. Lawrence	Winnipeg	Mar. 11, 1938
North Dakota	J. Frank Dart	Winnipeg	Jan. 18, 1937
Norway	J. P. Mackinnon	Macgregor	Oct. 24, 1920
Nova Scotia	David S. Woods	Winnipeg	Oct. 13, 1926

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA—Continued

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Ohio	Arthur E. Boyle	Winnipeg	June 10, 1924
Oklahoma	John Pollack	Souris	May 21, 1921
Oregon	John J. Henderson	Miniota	June 20, 1924
Panama	Isaac B. Griffith	Binscarth	Oct. 23, 1926
Paraiba	William L. Cann	Virden	
Philippine Islands	Rev. James S. Miller	Stony Mountain	May 15, 1921
Puerto Rico	Lorne S. Taylor	Hamiota	May 14, 1921
Prince Edward Island	Thomas R. Falconer	Deloraine	May 7, 1931
Quebec	J. T. Black	Winnipeg	June 12, 1897
Queensland	Eli E. Spencer	Morden	Jan. 19, 1934
Rhode Island	John R. Stalker	Shoal Lake	Aug. 15, 1926
Rio de Janeiro	William Cairns	Macgregor	Oct. 24, 1920
Santa Domingo	William G. Shaw	Elgin	May 30, 1932
Saskatchewan	Alex. Burgess	Winnipeg	Jan. 21, 1937
Scotland	William Douglas	Winnipeg	1936
South Australia	Daniel Hawe	Benito	Jan. 14, 1931
South Carolina	Henry L. Adolph	Brandon	Mar. 31, 1920
South Dakota	Thomas Stockdale	Winnipeg	May 25, 1935
Tasmania	John Parton	Winnipeg	1936
Tennessee	James S. MacEwing	Treherne	Oct. 15, 1913
Texas	Henry J. Pugh	Winnipeg	April 3, 1899
Utah	Dr. J. A. Martin	Sperling	Mar. 2, 1937
Vermont	Frank K. Purdie	Griswold	May 13, 1932
Victoria	Andrew Manson	Shoal Lake	Feb. 2, 1922
Virginia	Harry Woods	Winnipeg	Aug. 7, 1935
Washington	George R. Mackay	Winnipeg	May 20, 1929
West Virginia	William Fenwick	Brandon	Dec. 20, 1898
Western Australia	John Watson	Beausejour	May 15, 1918
Wisconsin			

MASONIC REVIEWS 1938 - 1939

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

HUGH M. KERR
Chairman

ALBERTA, 1938—

The Thirty-third Annual Communication of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Alberta was held in the City of Edmonton on June 8th, 1938, M.W. Bro. C. C. Hartman, Grand Master, presiding.

Besides the full corps of Grand Officers, there were thirteen Past Grand Masters present. His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, Bro. J. C. Bowen, was received in due form.

The Grand Master in his address reports the passing of two Past Grand Masters of this Jurisdiction, M.W. Bros. Archdeacon George E. Hogben and Robert Patterson. He has to be commended for his splendid work in dealing with the distress in the drought areas.

The Grand Master has to be complimented on his work in promoting the welfare of the Craft through his visits to so many of the Constituent Lodges in various parts of the Jurisdiction, also being in attendance at all of the District Meetings.

The Grand Master's concluding remarks were as follows:

"The times are decidedly out of joint. No longer dare we commit ourselves to the illusion that it does not matter what a man believes, or in whom he places his trust. All sensible people are concerned with creating a better civilization in political, economic, and social fields. The modern world is agitated about the survival or non-survival of democracy, about freedom and peace, about the most satisfactory social system under which to live.

"Freemasonry must set its house in order, not so much by planning new organizations, or by turning to the weary occupation of asking how we can beat up a new enthusiasm, but by asking ourselves in searching fashion what is the application of Masonic faith and philosophy in the present day. The purpose of Freemasonry is to carry humanity onward and upward. Masons believe that a civilization evolved according to the high and righteous principles of the Institution will best accomplish this. Masonry attempts this through its members, and not through its corporate capacity as an Institution. The philosophy of Masonry must stir the conscience, sensitize the spirit of the individual and clarify the goal. But it is the members in the daily life of the

world who alone can effect the needed changes. It is the responsibility of the Institution to guide the individual into good, clean, sane sound thinking according to knowledge and Masonic fundamentals. It is his duty to regulate his daily conduct by his convictions, and as far as these allow to co-operate with his fellows in the pursuit of a common goal.

"You have each been instructed to hold fast to your Masonic faith. This old teaching is so apt when both individuals and nations forget honor and adopt expedience. Never more than today has there been greater need for the flame of honor to burn bright within every man. Masonry has taught you her lessons and expects fulfillment in your lives.

" 'We cannot rest until
We have put Courage once more on her throne
For Honor clamors for her heritage
And Right still claims a kingdom of her own.' "

The reports of the D.D.G.M.'s show that they have been zealous in carrying out the duties of their office.

The Grand Secretary reports the membership to be 11,058 with 155 Lodges.

The Board of Benevolence reports the amount spent on account of relief during the past year was $11,774.15.

The several members of the Correspondence Committee each do their share of the work, and like our brethren of old, place their mark upon it.

Manitoba receives kindly mention in the reviews.

ALABAMA, 1938—

The One Hundred and Eighteenth Annual Communication was held in the City of Montgomery on December 6th, 1938.

Grand Master Samuel B. Adams presiding.

Eight Past Grand Masters being in attendance.

Bro. Charles H. Stubinger represented Manitoba on this occasion.

From the Grand Master's Address we can visualize the amount of time and labour involved in carrying out his duties during the year.

One cornerstone was laid and one new hall dedicated, also twelve Lodges consolidated.

One Lodge requested a ruling as to whether or not they should elect and install a blind brother as tyler of the Lodge. The ruling was that they could not, since he would not be able to know who was passing in and out of the Lodge.

All Grand Lodge Officers were re-elected for another term.

There are 446 Lodges with a membership of 27,575.

No reviews.

ARIZONA, 1939—

The 57th Annual Communication was held in Douglas on March 29th, 1939.

M.W. Bro. Quintus J. Anderson presided.

The Grand Master reports the Lodges to be in a healthy condition as to finances and membership.

The Grand Secretary reports 39 Lodges, and membership 5,477.

Bro. Frederick A. Shaffer delivered an excellent oration on "Masonry and Democracy".

Under Foreign Correspondence there is a report of Manitoba for 1938.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1938—

The Sixty-seventh Annual Communication was held in the City of Nelson on June 23rd, 1938. Eight Past Grand Masters were present. Manitoba's representative, R.W. Bro. Donald Adams was among the many Grand Representatives present.

Immediately after the opening of the Grand Lodge, they listened to a wonderful address given by their Grand Chaplain, V.W. Bro. Wm. G. Kitchen, the theme of the address being "Some Implications of our Masonic Faith".

Grand Master Henderson intimated in his address the retirement of Grand Secretary M.W. Bro. Dr. W. A. DeWolf-Smith, who had served in that office for over a quarter of a century. It is gratifying to note that in four years not a single case has been before the Committee on Petitions and Grievances, peace and harmony prevailing.

The Grand Master made many visits to his Constituent Lodges and Masonic Districts. From his closing remarks we quote the following:

"There is one question of paramount importance to every true Freemason and every loyal citizen; and that question relates to the world situation and our attitude to it. Our present world is one of suspicion, distrust, dislike, disunity, yes even hate and mutual destruction. Never was the world in more pitiful need of a message of toleration, fraternal unity and constructive work than at the present time. And this is the essential message of Freemasonry. In some way or other the Gospel of toleration, fraternal unity, and constructive work must be given to the classes, nations and races of the modern world or civilization will go under. We Masons call ourselves "Builders", and it is high time that we demonstrated to the world that we are able to build, and to co-operate on a world scale in our work. The world has never known a time when it was more imperative that those who have found the certainties of life should come forward and endeavor to give both to a fear-distracted age and to fear-tormented individuals the sense of power, poise and peace that comes only to those convictions who have no fear.

"Governments, churches, social clubs, industrial and commercial institutions, the Masonic Order, have all had the searchlight

turned on them. Out of sorrows and tribulations of the times has come to us as the examples of the highest ideals of human brotherhood, the imperative duty of taking an inventory of our own thoughts and actions, to see how day by day they accord with our professions and vows, to see where we stand on questions of vital importance to the peace of the world, the advancement of civilization, the salvation of mankind, end our own destined end and way.

"What has Masonry done for me, and through me for the world? Masonry does teach certain ideals, and in human experience, they are just as fundamental today as in any age of the world. It regards with tolerance and charity the view of our fellows. It teaches purity and all the social graces and virtues that enable men to live together in peace and harmony. It points out the value of self-restraint as compared with forced legal restraint. It awakens faith; that is the inspiration of all true friendship. It affirms that truth is the basis of all progress and encourages seekers after truth. It inspires justice, and awakens in men that high sense of public duty that demands public service commensurate with ability and opportunity.

"It affirms that liberty and freedom are absolutely essential to human progress and that only in such an atmosphere can men of courage, vision and with a true conception of public duty, develop. Masonry teaches reverence for Law; the beauty, dignity and sanctity of the home; the divinity of life; the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God.

"Such being the ideals and principles of our Institution, let us seek to incarnate them in character and life, and unselfish service motivated by brotherly love. Then we will see justice firmly planted in our land, industry and invention hard at work unfettered by tyrants of any kind, domestic life prospering in natural conditions, and good old-fashioned kindness, cheerfulness and broadminded tolerance keeping things together. The very air of our beloved Canada breeding great-hearted and fearless-minded men, making it the home of all men who love freedom, follow truth and seek to advance the welfare of mankind.

"Then, ours will be the joy and satisfaction of having done something toward ushering in the golden day of which the Prophets have spoken and the Poets have sung:

" 'These things shall be; a loftier race
Than e'er the world hath known shall rise,
With flame of rfeedom in their souls
And light of knowledge in their eyes.

" 'They shall be gentle, brave and strong
To spill no drop of blood, but dare

All that can plant man's Lordship firm
On Earth, and fire, and sea, and air.

" 'Nation with nation, land with land
Unarmed shall live as Comrades free,
In every heart and brain shall throb
The pulse of fraternity.' "

The Treasurer's report on the Benevolent Fund shows that he received $1,968.10 from the Lodges during the year.

The Grand Secretary reports the number of Lodges as 119, and the membership to be 13,627 and a loss of 101.

Funds and property of Lodges amount to $780,110.08 and relief granted is considerable: to Members, $3,960.68; to Widows, $2,237.30; and to Transients, $316.70. The Board of Benevolence granted $7,935.86; the total amount of relief granted was $14,550.54.

Bro. R. L. Reid, Grand Historian, gives a splendid story on the formation of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. W. A. Dewolf Smith, Manitoba being fraternally reviewed.

CALIFORNIA, 1938—

The Eighty-ninth Annual Communication was held at San Francisco on October 11th, 1938.

A grand total of 1,497 Officers and representatives from 565 Chartered Lodges were present to greet Grand Master Fraser when he opened Grand Lodge.

Following the opening ceremonies R.W. Bro. A. Harry Severson, Grand Chaplain, conducted the devotional exercises, after which the Grand Master delivered his address.

He mentions the advertising in so-called Masonic publications and complaints received from businessmen of their agents soliciting advertising under the name and influence of the Craft and then disregarding their pledged word to such an extent that it almost amounts to fraud, and suggests a change in the Constitution requiring that if there is such a publication, that it be under the direct supervision of Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master also attended the bi-centenary of the establishment of Freemasonry in Nova Scotia.

The Grand Secretary reports 583 Lodges with a membership of 127,122. It is of interest to note that one Lodge has more than 1,000 members, 55 Lodges have 500 or more members, 72 Lodges have 300 or more members. We wonder what their attendance record is at Lodge meetings. Not much chance to get acquainted. The reviewer is a believer in smaller Lodge membership.

The Board of Trustees of the two Masonic Homes, that for adults at Decoto and that for children at Covina, reports the yearly per capita at Decoto was $342.85, and Covina $694.82. The guests in the two homes numbered 345 adults and 153 children.

The question of Clandestine Masonry, especially among the people speaking a foreign tongue and the Negro population of the United States is reported, that the activity of some of them has greatly diminished, although in the case of others it has accelerated, and new subordinate bodies have been organized.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is again the work of Bro. Jesse M. Whitehead, who presents his review in topical form.

CANADA, 1938 (Province of Ontario) —

The Eighty-third Annual Communication was held in the City of Toronto commencing July 20th, 1938.

M.W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop on the Throne. Manitoba was represented by her Grand Representative, Bro. Frederick Cook.

The Grand Lodge was honored by the presence of many distinguished guests from England, Ireland, Scotland, the United States and other Grand Lodges in Canada including Manitoba, who was represented by M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd, P.G.M., and R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, D.G.M. Bro. Ralph Day, Mayor of the City of Toronto, welcomed the brethren to Toronto, the Grand Master replying on behalf of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master's address is eloquent and inspiring and provides ample material for careful study in every Lodge in the Jurisdiction.

He reports that "Masonry is emerging from the difficulties of recent years and is definitely on the upgrade". The Grand Master gives some kindly advice with regard to organizations which claim to be Masonic or to be allied with Masonry which use the Lodges as a recruiting ground and make membership in our Lodges a prerequisite for admission, nor do they allow them to make use of a Masonic Lodge room. The reports of the District Deputies is a complete record of Masonic duties well and faithfully performed, as well as a comprehensive survey of conditions throughout this Jurisdiction.

From the report of the Committee on Benevolence:

"The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Benevolence, have the honor to report that during the year ending May 31st, 1938, there were disbursed in our Benevolent work the following amounts:

Grants from the General Fund, authorized at the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge	$ 85,096.00
Interim Grants from the General Fund, by the Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence, with the approval of the President of the Board of General Purposes	4,245.00
Grants from the Interest of the Augmentation Fund (Memorial and Semi-Centennial Combined)	18,809.00
Total expenditure from Grand Lodge Funds	108,150.00
Estimated Grants made by Lodges as shown by the reports of the D.D.G.M.'s	125,000.00
Grand total expended for Benevolent Purposes.	$232,150.00

At this Annual Communication, your Committee has considered a total of 765 applications of which 146 are new Owing to subsequent changes in the circumstances of the applicants, 9 are not now necessary. It is recommended that 25 be declined and that grants be made, subject to the inspection of the Supervisor as follows:

351 granted through the local Boards amounting to	$41,800.00	
380 granted through the lodges amounting to	44,500.00	
	$86,300.00	
Less estimated reduction by inspection and deaths	5,800.00	
	$80,500.00	
Interim Grants from the General Fund (estimated)	$ 4,500.00	
Total from General Fund		$85,000.00
Grants recommended from the Augmentation Fund at this Communication	$24,400.00	
Less estimated reduction by inspection and deaths	1,400.00	
	23,000.00	

Interim Grants from the Augmentation Fund (estimated)	1,000.00	
Total from Augmentation Fund		24,000.00
Grand Total		$109,000.00

The report of the Board on the Condition of Freemasonry mentions that peace and harmony prevails throughout the Jurisdiction. This report contains much for serious consideration, and careful study, such as the ability of the Worshipful Master, collection of dues, auditing of lodge books, and the affiliation fee, which to the reviewer's mind is a drawback. We know of lodges who have no fee, only dues, and still progressing.

The Committee on Credentials report 568 warranted lodges, with a membership of 97,158.

The Correspondence is from the pen of that distinguished craftsman, M.W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, P.G.M., one of the best Masonic reviewers, who gets lots of space in the Journal of Proceedings to cover his presentation of world wide Masonic affairs.

Manitoba was fraternally reviewed.

COLORADO, 1938—

The Seventy-eighth Annual Communication was opened in ample form by M.W. Bro. Harry L. Baum, Grand Master, on September 20th, 1938, in Denver.

Representatives from 142 of the 147 Lodges were present.

Manitoba was represented by Bro. Jethro C. Sanford.

The Grand Master without preamble gave an account of his official acts during his tenure of office, conditions being

such that he was unable to accept all the invitations received. From his list of visitations we extract the following:

"The fourth annual gathering with Corinthian Lodge No. 42, held in their hall at Kokomo, occurred on the night of August 20th, 1938, with the usual attendance of about 100. This little lodge, the highest in the United States, elevation 10,618 feet above sea level, and the smallest in Colorado, is now moving under its own power. For many years, its membership has been but 12, with a resident membership of 3 and any new material was permitted to go to Leadville Lodge No. 35. But during the past year, through the efforts of the Master, W. Bro. Ben F. Rich, and the Junior Warden, Bro. Nelson C. Miller, the lodge has been retaining the petitioners from the mining camp at Climax and conferring the degrees in their own little temple of hewn logs. Two were raised on the foregoing date, following two others on whom the third degree was recently conferred, and several other petitioners have now received one or more degrees, and will soon become full members. It is indeed encouraging to note that this little lodge is reviving, and the prospects are that the members will continue to meet on the highest hill for many years to come.

"The following week, on August 27th, 1938, the annual pilgrimage was held in the halls of the three old lodges in Gilpin County; Nevada No. 4, Central No. 6 and Black Hawk No. 11, this idea having been put in effect last year by M.W. Bro. William R. Arthur, then Grand Master. By special dispensation of our present Grand Master, who was present, the three lodges met in joint communication in each of the three halls, the first section of the third degree being conferred in the hall of Black Hawk Lodge No. 11, in the afternoon, the second section in the hall of Nevada Lodge No. 4, also in the afternoon, and the third section in the hall of Central Lodge No. 6, at night, following the dinner in the Chain-O-Mines Hotel. Between the first and second sections a brief memorial service was held at the monument which marks the place where the first Masonic building was erected in this jurisdiction, this building having been constructed in 1859."

The Grand Secretary reports 147 Lodges, membership of 29,637.

No reviews.

CONNECTICUT, 1939—

The 151st Annual Communication was held in Hartford, on February 1st, 1939.

M.W. Bro. Morris B. Payne, Grand Master presiding. Eleven Past Grand Masters were present. After the formal opening proceedings, the Grand Master gave an account of the duties of his office during the year, which have been performed in an able manner.

During the year he made more than 200 Masonic visits which required him to travel more than 22,000 miles. The Grand Master spoke on Lodge finances also on the advancement of officers who have not clearly demonstrated their ability in their present station.

He also recommended that as a prerequisite all applicants for membership in any Lodge of this Grand Lodge shall submit to finger printing and that a copy of the prints shall be filed with the governmental agency established for the custody of such prints. He also recommends that the present members of Lodges be notified of this action and they too, permit their finger prints to be made a matter of permanent record. This was referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations which recommends same.

A review of the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges is presented to P.G.M. Winthrop Buck in which Manitoba for 1938 is most courteously included.

DELAWARE, 1938—

The 133rd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Delaware was opened in ample form by M.W. Bro. George T. Kacklin, Grand Master, on October 5th, 1938, at Wilmington. Thirteen Past Grand Masters were present.

Bro. Louis S. Cain represented Manitoba.

A number of distinguished visitors from other Jurisdictions were presented and introduced. The Grand Master reports having visited every lodge in his jurisdiction, which

he considers the most pleasant duty that a Grand Master has to perform.

He also reports that he had the good fortune of making his son a Master Mason, and at this time, the stations were all filled by relatives of the candidate.

On the future of Masonry, and the loss in membership, he says:

"Being faced with such a condition, naturally one asks the question, why? There seem to be a number of contributing reasons for our shrinkage. In addition to the loss sustained through the difference between deaths and initiates, another factor is responsible; namely, suspension for Non-payment of dues. During the unsettled economic conditions a number of Brethren found it impossible to pay their dues. In every such instance, I believe that subordinate Lodges should be as lenient as their financial condition will permit. I am not in sympathy with the purge which has taken place in a number of subordinate Lodges where they have suspended for Non-payment of dues, members who were in arrears only two years. I believe that each case should be decided on its merits. A local committee can determine the ability to pay for each delinquent member. If the ability to pay is present, that member should be penalized. If the member is in financial circumstances, his mother Lodge should be as lenient as possible in demanding dues.

"The Masonic Fraternity is not the only institution in these desperate circumstances. There is a steady decline in membership in the churches. It would seem that the material things of Life have more attraction for the young men of today than spiritual things. Nevertheless, I have a very distinct impression that our Fraternity is somewhat to blame for the falling off of numbers of initiates.

"First of all, I believe that exceedingly high initiation fees have, and are keeping out good men. I believe that in some cases, members of subordinate lodges are misusing the black ball. From time to time reports are circulated of good men who have been kept out of our Fraternity for distinctly personal reasons. I am reliably informed that in one or more Lodges in our jurisdiction not a single candidate has been raised in the past Masonic year.

"I know of one lodge in our jurisdiction that did reduce its initiation fee during the past year. It may be coincidence, but this lodge reports one of its busiest years.

"Consequently, Brethren, I am asking you to think on these things. It is time for soul-searching for every good Mason. First

of all, let us look within ourselves to see whether our conduct and attitude had been such as to reflect the glories of Masonry. Consider as to whether you feel your initiation fee is prohibitive, I am asking for a tolerant attitude toward those members whose financial circumstances have become seriously impaired, and finally, Brethren, bear this fact in mind, there is nothing wrong with Masonry. If there are defects, they belong to ourselves. Let us all, putting aside prejudices, and personal intolerance, work for the benefit and prosperity of our Order."

The Grand Secretary reports 22 Lodges and a membership of 5,349.

The review of Proceedings is the work of M.W. Bro. Thos. J. Day, P.G.M. Manitoba being fraternally reviewed.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1938—

The One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Annual Communication was held in Washington on December 21st, 1938. M.W. Bro. Leonard P. Stewart, Grand Master.

471 Lodges, Membership 20,432, loss 78.

The Grand Master's address was a clear and concise report of the year's activities.

"The data submitted by the Grand Master relative to the past and present membership and finances of our Lodges is interesting and enlightening. When we consider the small amount of annual dues charged by many of our Lodges, and the aggregate annual per capita tax paid, it is surprising to learn from the figures given by the Grand Master that an average of almost $2.00 for every Mason in the Jurisdiction was paid out by our Lodges as charity during the year past. One of our Lodges paid $11.77 per capita for relief purposes during the year. The Committee is not alarmed at any temporary slight loss in membership.

"The commendation given by the Grand Master on the accomplishments of our Relief Agencies—the Masonic Board of Relief, the St. John's Mite Association and the Masonic Personnel and Service Bureau—and also to the splendid work being done by our Masonic and Eastern Star Home, Masonic clubs and other Masonic organizations and agencies, was to be expected in the light of the splendid reports submitted regarding them.

"The thanks of the Grand Lodge are due to the Masters' Association of 1938, on the splendid results obtained from their handling of that successful and memorable evening 'A Night of Thrills.' The thrill is more thrilling when we recall that the profit derived from this undertaking, which exceeds the sum of $11,000 is to be added to the Endowment Fund of The Masonic and Eastern Star Home, so that those worthy and destitute persons who are dear to us by ties of blood or fraternity—members of the Home—may be benefited thereby throughout the years to come."

There is a review of the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges by M.W. Bro. James A. West, P.G.M., and our 1938 Communication is noted. We regret to learn that M.W. Bro. West passed away on January 14th, 1939.

ENGLAND, 1938—

At the Quarterly Communication held on June 1st, 1938, the Board of General Purposes reported to Grand Lodge that fraternal intercourse and the exchange of Representatives with the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands has now been resumed.

THE MASONIC PEACE MEMORIAL—FINAL REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

"The Special Committee, in presenting its final report to Grand Lodge, has pleasure in stating that, as a result of the splendid response made to the Grand Master's Appeal by Brethren and Lodges in all parts of the Jurisdiction, the whole of the expenditure incurred in the erection and equipment of the Masonic Peace Memorial Building has been provided for, and the building has been handed over to the Board of General Purposes free from debt. The Committee has given instructions for the erection of a Memorial Shrine and Roll of Honor, to be placed under the Memorial Window in the First Vestibule. Sufficient funds are available to meet the cost, which is not expected to exceed £6,000,00.

MASONIC MILLION MEMORIAL FUND

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Contributions	£1,043,787	Building Operations and Equipment	£1,172,019
Contributions for Furnishing	11,885	Properties purchased	164,541
	£1,055,672	Medals	27,309
Proceeds of King Edward VII Memorial Fund .	170,302	Architects, competition Assessor's fees & Foundation stone Ceremony	9,508
Interest on invested contributions less cost of administration	156.071		£1,373,377
		Cash at bank (subject to the cost of Memorial Shrine)	8,668
	£1,382,045		£1,382,045

On December 7th, 1938, the following items were discussed.

ADMISSION OF VISITORS

"The Board wishes to draw the particular attention of the Craft to the necessity for a more careful scrutiny of the credentials of Brethren whom it is desired to invite as visitors to Lodges. Too great care cannot be exercised in this connection. The Constitutions require that no Brother shall be admitted into a Lodge unless he be personally known to and vouched for by one of the Brethren present, or unless he shall be well vouched for after due examination. In all cases satisfactory proof of identity must be produced if required. It is not sufficient to assume without evidence that an intending visitor is a member of the Craft or that he can properly be received in accordance with the rules of the Book of Constitutions. Unless the visitor is known by a Brother present to be a Mason in good standing, documentary evidence should be produced.

"The Board desires this matter to be brought specially to the notice of the members of every Lodge."

At the Quarterly Communication held on March 1st, 1939, H.R.H. the Duke of Kent, K.G., was elected to the office of

Grand Master to succeed H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, K.G., who had occupied this position for thirty-eight years.

FLORIDA, 1938—

The Grand Lodge in their 109th Annual Communication met on April 19th, 1938, in the city of Jacksonville.

M.W. Bro. Ralph B. Chapman, Grand Master, in the chair. The Grand Master granted a number of dispensations and denied one. Many questions and answers on ruling were referred to the Grand Master—the following is culled:

"From Nor Mi Lodge No. 253. We have been presented with a petition for initiation of one Mosa Esmail .This man was born in Palestine but states that he has been absent from that country for many years and has lost his citizenship there and is now applying for his first papers for citizenship to the United States, and he professes the Mohammedan religion; he has been living in Florida the required length of time, is married and has a family of two. Can we accept this petition?

"Answer:—It is my ruling that your lodge can receive this petition; if he is a Caucasin, his religion does not bar him; that if a lodge votes to receive the petition, and if elected, it will be proper that you confer with him and ascertain if he is willing to be obligated on our Bible, or whether he wishes his own. In case he wishes to be obligated on the Koran, both books should be placed on the altar during the conferring of the degree.

"(I was later advised that the lodge voted not to receive this petitioner until after he had become a naturalized citizen of the United States)—(Approved)."

The records on "Emeritus Members" include 492 ministers, together with 1,069 supposedly indigent brethren. Only a few lodges do not have emeritus members.

We also notice with pleasure that our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins, has been appointed to represent the Grand Lodge of Florida near Manitoba.

One Charter was surrendered. It is reported that the Masonic Home is caring for 142 members. Of this number 20 are men, 22 ladies, 51 boys and 49 girls. Twenty-nine of this number are non-resident members.

REPORT OF EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

"R.W.M. Whipple Bishop, District Deputy Grand Master, Ninth Masonic District expressed appreciation of the acceptance by so many Grand Lodge Officers and members of his invitation to attend the fifth annual sunrise service last Sunday (Easter Day) conducted by the Easter Sunrise Service Association composed of Jacksonville Masons. He said this religious event is held at the Ribault Monument near Mayport Florida, overlooking the mouth of the historic St. John's River, the D.A.R. marker commemorating the first Protestant Prayer on American soil, May 1, 1562; and that the thousands who go to the trouble of driving down before dawn have found it inspiring, and the community recognizes its worthwhileness."

The present membership is 19,848, and the Lodges number 223.

The Correspondence Report is submitted by W. Bro. Louis L. Silverman. An interesting "Forward" prefaces the review.

Manitoba is given gracious consideration.

GEORGIA, 1938—

The 152nd Annual Communication was held in Macon, on October 25th, 1938.

M.W. Bro. John L. Travis opened the Grand Lodge in due and ancient form. Twelve Past Grand Masters were present.

Manitoba's representative, Bro. J. A. Bishop, being in attendance also.

Grand Master Travis in his address has given the Brethren of his jurisdiction something to think about when he spoke about "Ignorance, Indifference and Selfishness", also his remarks on "Dangers that threaten our Government", which are timely.

He visited all the District conventions and a number of Lodges. He also laid four cornerstones during the year.

Bro. Raymund Daniel submits the Reviews of Sister Jurisdictions, which is interesting and readable. Manitoba for 1938 receives kind attention.

IDAHO, 1938—

The 62nd Annual Communication was called to order by M.W. Grand Master Everett W. Rising, at Boise, on September 13th, 1938.

A number of distinguished visitors from other jurisdictions were received and introduced. Nineteen Past Grand Masters were also in attendance.

M.W. Bro. George M. Scott represented Manitoba at this time.

During the year, the Grand Master had many questions referred to him, and the following are quoted for our readers' information:

"Q. A Mason in good standing dies leaving a wife. In time the widow again marries. After her second marriage, has the former widow of a Mason any basis for a relief claim?

"No. When the widow of a Mason again marries, all rights for Masonic assistance she may have had, cease.

"Q. Has the widow or dependents of an Entered Apprentice Mason any rights for Masonic relief?

"No. Only a Master Mason in distress, his widow or the dependents of a Master Mason are entitled to Masonic assistance.

"Q. May the petition of a young man, that has been received and referred to a committee, be returned without ballot, it having been discovered that he is either physically or mentally unqualified?

"Yes. The Worshipful Master is given authority to return such a petition under Article 14, Section 1 of our By-Laws.

"Q. May a petition for the degrees of Masonry be accepted prior to the date that the petitioner will become 21 years of age, providing the petitioner will reach the age of 21 before the date of balloting?

"No. See Regulation 133, page 63, Code and Digest, which requires that the petitioner must be 21 years of age or over at the time petition is received by the Lodge.

"EMERGENCY RELIEF

"Under date of July 20th, I received an appeal written by Bro. Carl H. Claudy, Executive Secretary, Masonic Service Association directing attention to the plight of 300 Viennese Brethren, whose property was first confiscated, and they themselves ordered to leave Austria. The communication stated that the Swiss Grand Lodge "Alpina" had constituted itself a committee of assistance, but that the task was beyond the financial resources of that Grand Lodge, and appealed to American Brethren for assistance. The suggestion being that American Masons contribute one-half cent per capita. I, accordingly, gave instructions that the sum of $44.00 be forwarded for the relief of Masons compelled to leave Austria.

"Idaho was one of the first Grand Jurisdictions to respond and our contribution was included in the first $2,000. Remittance to the Grand Lodge of Switzerland for the relief of Austrian Brethren.

"LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

"Masonic Lodges are not engaged in any form of political activity, yet they can and will provide the network where men who believe in personal and religious liberty may meet, study, and contemplate the teachings of Masonry as relates to these subjects.

"Individuals learning facts regarding the activities of groups opposed to the principles on which our liberties are based, will be seeking comradeship with others having similar thoughts and determination.

"The part taken by Masons at the time of the laying of the foundation for our present government is well understood by everyone, especially the leaders of the forces that are seeking to destroy the democratic governments of the world. The promptness with which Masonic Lodges are destroyed whenever and wherever the dictator comes into power, is proof of this point.

"From history, we learn that in the same year that our national constitution was signed, a group was organized in Europe that adopted a declaration:

" 'Against all ordered form of government
Abolition of private property rights
Abolition of patriotism
Abolition of religion.'

"One of the 'isms' that is actively at work gaining a foothold in America today can be directly traced through the years to the group mentioned.

"Other 'isms' are to be found, usually supported by a dictator. One of these dictators advocates a doctrine of 'blood and soil,' meaning that regardless of the fact that a man may have transferred his allegiance to another country,—this country perhaps—he is still first the subject of the dictator of the country where he was born. The dictator of another 'ism' states that dictatorships and democracies cannot both continue to exist—'that it is either we the dictators or they the democracies, it cannot be both.'

"All of the 'isms' are actively at work in this country, and if they can secure control, we may expect to live under conditions that now prevail in the countries controlled by dictators. Do we want one of the 'isms' to control this country? No, I think not; and we will not have one of them as long as men are permitted and continue to meet around our altars in substantial numbers, and as long as Masonry continues to demand of its members a

"Belief in a Supreme Being,
Belief in a Future Life, and

"teaches loyalty to the country with a constitution that guarantees us liberty to

" 'Worship a Supreme Being of our choice,
Right to think and speak the truth regarding any subject
Right to assemble with our neighbors and friends
Right of all to equal privileges.'

"Brethren, if we continue to conduct our lodges in the future on the high standards of the past, if we continue to feel the need of brotherhood, if we maintain our faith in a Supreme Being and a future life, we will not lack for membership or work to do."

The number of Lodges 81, with a membership of 8,919, with a gain of 103.

The Foreign Correspondence Committee report is in topical form and submitted by P.G.M. M.W. Bro. Percy Jones.

ILLINOIS, 1938—

The 99th Annual Communication was held in the City of Chicago, on October 11th, 1938. M.W. Bro. Everett L. Lawrence, Grand Master, was present and presiding.

Nine Past Grand Masters were present.

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form. A number of distinguished visitors were present and were given a cordial welcome. Among other things the Grand Master said in his address:

"We open this ninety-ninth Annual Meeting of our Grand Lodge with a good word that in this state the Fraternity is strong, harmonious and true. In statistics our reports are satisfactory, for again men in a day of trouble, are seeking fraternal consolation and help. In Masonic practice the year has been full of good deeds, I assure you, as the reports of the flood of Masonic charity come in to your Grand Master."

The Grand Master's attention had been called to the fact that some lodges had made a blanket proposition to their suspended members as an inducement to them to petition for re-instatement. This action was not approved by the Grand Master because it fell within the prohibition of a section of their Masonic code. Many questions were presented to the Grand Master and the following is a new one to the reviewer:

"Q. Can an objection to the initiation or advancement of a candidate be made by telephone?

"A. I have ruled that it cannot. An objection should be made privately and verbally to the master."

M.W. Bro. O. Haven Stephens, P.G.M., represented Manitoba.

There are 997 Lodges with a membership of 203,770.

The report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. Elmer E. Beach, P.G.M., Manitoba for 1938 receiving fraternal and kind review.

INDIANA, 1938—

The 121st Annual Communication was held in Indianapolis on May 24th, 1938. Fifteen Past Grand Masters were present.

There were present, the Representatives of 538 of the 545 Chartered Lodges.

Grand Master, M.W. Bro. D. Burns Douglas opened the M.W. Grand Lodge in ample form. The Grand Master is a believer in social activities in the lodges, and would like to see more entertainments of a social, instructive and interesting nature. During the year he had many questions placed before him for decision, the following is a specimen:

"Q. Where members of a Chapter R.A.M. are to fill all the stations in the Blue Lodge on an occasion to be called "Chapter Night" would it be permissible to use Chapter paraphernalia on the occasion of conferring the Third Degree?

"A. There would be no objection where such Chapter paraphernalia would not conflict with the basic insignia of the Blue Lodge nor reveal any part of the Chapter nor reveal any of the insignia of the Chapter, the Chapter being willing."

Two cornerstones were laid during the year.

The Grand Master travelled 12,138 miles and spent almost two months on the road, away from home in visitations.

The Board of Directors of the Masonic Home report the High Grade and High Schools have made splendid progress under the administration of the Board of Education. The most successful department in vocational training being the School of Printing.

The statistical table shows the membership to be 107,253 and 999 Lodges.

The Reviews of Proceedings are now published in the magazine, "The Indiana Freemasons".

IOWA, 1938—

Their 95th Annual Communication was held at Waterloo on June 14th, 1938. Their book is a big one. It carries as a frontpiece a fine portrait of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry A. Palmer, followed by a biographical sketch.

A considerable part of the Grand Master's address is taken up by a report concerning dispensations, decisions, and official opinions.

One cornerstone was laid during the year.

He suggests that the weaker lodges be consolidated with other and stronger lodges rather than have their charters taken up. Modern means of transportation have made this method both possible and practicable.

Altogether a praiseworthy report.

From the Report of Chartered Lodges, we notice that there are 551 Lodges with a membership of 67,622.

In the excellent Correspondence report, Manitoba is fraternally reviewed.

IRELAND, 1938—

The meeting held on St. John's Day marked the close of the 25th year of the Grand Mastership of the Earl of Donoughmore.

From the Grand Master's address the following item of interest is culled:

"Glittering Star Lodge No. 322 1st Battalion The Worcestershire Regiment.

"What might be described as an historical Masonic Meeting was held in the Tower of London, on the 3rd of June, at which the M.W. the Grand Master, The Earl of Donoughmore, K.P., was present, together with many other Grand Officers from the United Grand Lodge of England, and the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

"Owing to the Worcestershire Regiment being on a tour of duty in the Tower, this meeting was made possible, and so far as is known, is unique, as no Masonic Meeting has ever taken place within the walls of the Tower of London. The Regiment is indebted to R.W. Field-Marshall Sir Claude W. Jacob, G.C.B., G.C.S.I., K.C.M.G., Past Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of England, the Constable of the Tower, who kindly gave his consent and attended the meeting. Sir Claude is Colonel of the Regiment and some time ago accepted Honorary Membership of Glittering Star Lodge. The Lord Mayor of London, the Rt. Hon. Sir Harry Twyford, Senior Grand Deacon, G.L. of England, accompanied by his private Secretary, W. Bro. C. Gamon, also attended.

"The United Grand Lodge of England, was represented by R.W. Bro. General Sir Francis Davies, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., Deputy Grand Master, and V.W. Bro. Sydney A. White, M.V.O., Grand Secretary. The Grand Lodge of Scotland being represented by M.W. Bro. Lord Saltoun, Past Grand Master Mason.

R.W. Bro. Raymond F. Brooke, Deputy Grand Master, submits a lengthy report on the visit of the delegation from the Grand Lodge of Ireland to the Grand Lodge of Canada, while V.W. Bro. Cyril Browne reports on the visit to Rhodesia.

KANSAS, 1939—

The 83rd Annual Communication was held on February 15th, 1939, in Wichita. A pleasing address was delivered by Grand Master Buzick in which he mentions his official acts, among which three cornerstones were laid, one lodge was instituted.

Bro. Arthur F. McCarty delivered a scholarly oration on the concrete problems of these times as viewed in the light of known history.

The Report on Fraternal correspondence was prepared by R.W. Bro. Albert K. Wilson, Manitoba for 1938 being fraternally included.

KENTUCKY, 1938—

The 138th Annual Communication was convened in Louisville, on October 18th, 1938.

Grand Master Timothy W. Pennington in addition to other business-laden days, successfully carried out a reconsecration observance, a vast majority of the lodges observed this meeting.

Two special communications were held for the purpose of laying cornerstones.

Quite a number of Fifty year buttons were given by the Grand Lodge during the past year.

Statistics show twelve lodges having consolidated.
The total number of lodges being 515, with a membership of 42,792.

The report of the committee on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by Bro. Allen C. Terhune. Manitoba does not appear in the review.

LOUISIANA, 1939—

The 128th Annual Communication was opened in ample form on February 6th, 1939, in New Orleans, by M.W. Bro. Charles F. Ratcliff, Grand Master.

The Grand Master reports the Fraternity to be in a sound and healthy condition. This jurisdiction awards "Silver Certificates" to brethren who have been members of the Craft for twenty-five years and less than fifty years, and to those who have been fifty years "Gold Certificates" also "Gold Buttons".

The Masonic Home for children continues to function in a most efficient way and the financial affairs are being judiciously administered.

We also note with pleasure that W. Bro. Charles Cole has been appointed as Grand Representative of the State of Louisiana near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

W. Bro. John F. Arceneaux delivered an inspiring oration on "The Sublime Philosophy of Freemasonry".

There are 250 Lodges with a total membership of 20,681. They also show a net gain of 38 during the year.

No reviews.

MARYLAND, 1938—

The Semi-Annual Communication was held in Baltimore on May 17th, 1938, M.W. Bro. Harry B. Wright, Grand Master, presiding.

From the Grand Master's address we find that:

"On Easter Sunday morning at 6.00 a.m., another most interesting Sun Rise Service was held at the Masonic Homes.

About 300 including the residents, were present. This was the third service of this kind and the interest and attendance is increasing every year. As you can note from the record, less than 100 were present the first year."

The Grand Lodge Officers met together with an assembly of 1500 members and friends of the Masonic Fraternity to dedicate the new Chapel at Bonnie Blink Masonic Homes.

One cornerstone was laid.

The 152nd Annual Communication was held on November 15th, 1938, at which the Grand Master delivered an inspiring address, and from his opening remarks we cull the following:

"Three years have now passed since you conferred upon me this high and distinguished honor of being your presiding officer. It seems but yesterday when I accepted that great responsibility. Many things have been accomplished since that time, but we will not enumerate them now as they are a matter of record. Many more were anticipated and I trust, in the very near future will become a reality. All have been done with one purpose in mind; the building up and moulding together this great Fraternity of ours.

"To my mind, Masonry and the daily practice of Masonic principles are needed more today than ever in its entire history. Look at the momentous things that are happening—things which will affect you and me personally, your children and my children, your Fraternity and my Fraternity. Think of the horrible things happening across the seas, where men like you and me are not permitted to assemble in such gatherings as we have here tonight, where men are not permitted to speak their own mind, nor give vent to their feelings. Yea, hardly are they permitted to think!

"There are those in the world today with their thirst for power and domination—dangerous to free speech, free government, and even the sanctity of the home; dangerous to right thinking and right living.

But we do not have to look across the seas to find things that should cause us to take stock of what is happening in this generation—punch boards, gambling devices of all kinds, crime and many such things are common in our land. Many times men in places of authority and those who wear the emblem of our Fraternity, the Square and Compass, emblem of honesty, are failing to exemplify the principles taught them at the altar of Masonry, upon which lies open the Holy Scriptures, the rule and guide of

our faith. These are moral issues, issues that we, as Masons, must meet squarely face to face and unafraid.

"Men like you and me should not let these things pass unnoticed. We need to visit our Blue Lodges more often and sit side by side with the members of those Lodges. Let them see that we are all interested in the betterment of man, the State and the nation. We need to go back on the common level, and, in so doing, we will not have that ill-feeling toward our fellow man. Let us get acquainted with our neighbor, our brother and our friend."

No reviews.

MICHIGAN, 1938—

Their 94th Annual Communication was held in Flint on May 24th, 1938.

M.W. Bro. William H. Parker, Grand Master, presiding.

Eighteen Past Grand Masters, Fifty-eight Grand Representatives, among them Manitoba's Bro. Louis E. Anderson.

From the Grand Master's address:

"Here we make history which shall be read by those who come after us; therefore, let us be concerned today in that kind of history which will bring credit to ourselves and honor to the Order. We are not responsible for the Masonic past but we are responsible for the future.

"Some are here who have attended these meetings many times and guided them through the upheavals and overturning of the years. They have been loyal with all their hearts, because they believed in the necessity of united Masonry in a troubled world.

"All of us should realize that we have come to a time in the world and to a state of affairs when Masons must learn to stand together and work if we expect Civilization to continue. If present conditions of the world are to be changed it will require the effort of all spiritually minded men who love Masonry and liberty, who believe in the dignity of human beings, and who still hope for the advancement of our race.

"This Grand Lodge is not simply a place to pass away one's idle time, nor a place to build oneself up for high position elsewhere. Rather, it is a place to improve one's time for good, and therefore

no man should allow himself to be elected to office therein unless he can give the time necessary to be serviceable to his fellow men.

"Let us be reminded, "How good and how pleasant it is for Brethren to dwell together in unity." Let us do the kind of work God expects of us and assume our responsibilities in accordance with our obligation.

"Finally, my Brethren, during these days of rapid changes in our social and industrial life, let us be concerned about the future of Freemasonry. If impossible to be active in the work for Freemasonry, then let us lend our influence in keeping with our obligations and prove to the world our sincerity.

"GAMBLING

"In our Jurisdiction requests were made to me to grant permission to the instituting and carrying on of games of chance by Masonic Organizations for charitable and other Masonic purposes. These requests I refused. Our Jurisdiction, however, has not been immune from such schemes being operated. As Masons we are charged with the duty of respecting and upholding the law of our Country and all Masons are subject to our Constitution and Laws. Therefore, to those who are still engaged in lotteries, gambling and games of chance, I would ask them to refrain from further continuance of same for the good name of Masonry."

The reports of the Masonic Home Board shows:

"The average number in the Home for the entire year was 137—an increase of 7 over the previous year, at an increased cost of $2,073.03 for the year. The per capita maintenance cost for this past year is $488.80 or $11.96 less than the previous year.

RESIDENTS OF THE HOME

Residents in the Home May 1, 1937.....135
Residents in the Home April 30, 1938.....142

"Of these 44 are women, 95 are men and three are children. The average age of the adults in the home is 74 years. The average age of the children in the Home is 16 years."

The amount expended in the Home Maintenance Fund for the year being $74,801.13.

OUTSIDE RELIEF REPORT

"As of April 30th, 1938, there were 78 cases receiving Outside Relief in amount of $1,496.02 per month of which the Lodges pay $357.75 the balance being paid from the Outside Relief Fund.

"This sum represents an average of $19.18 per case. In addition to the 78 cases receiving relief there were 58 dependents directly benefited, being husbands, wives or children of the person to whom the check is made payable.

"The Lodge sponsoring each case is requested to contact the Beneficiary and make report to the Board of Control every six months."

There are 511 Chartered Lodges with a total membership of 113,927.

There is no correspondence.

MINNESOTA, 1939—

The 86th Annual Communication was held at St. Paul on January 18th, 1939.

Grand Master Ralph W. Stanford opened Grand Lodge in ample form, prayer being offered by the Grand Chaplain.

A number of distinguished visitors were present, among whom were M.W. Bros. John T. Boyd, Col. Royal Burritt, William Douglas and Harry Woods, Past Grand Masters; R.W. Bros. W. D. Lawrence, D.G.M., George R. Calvert, J.G.W., J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary, and Col. Hugh Mackenzie, representing the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The Grand Master's Address is a most masterly and comprehensive report of the year's work.

Regarding the state of the Craft in his jurisdiction, it is hopeful and encouraging.

One cornerstone was laid and one dedication ceremony was performed during the year.

Among the Grand Master's visitations was his visit to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba on June 8th and 9th.

He also spoke on the subject of bonding Lodge secretaries and treasurers, which might well be considered by other jurisdictions.

The Grand Secretary's report shows 303 Lodges with a membership of 48,584.

The Committee on Fraternal Work at Rochester are doing a wonderful work ministering to the relief of members of the Craft and their families who must seek the services of this great clinic of Rochester.

M.W. Bro. E. A. Montgomery, P.G.M., presented the report on Foreign Correspondence, which is well prepared and of interest. Manitoba for 1938 being fraternally reviewed.

MISSISSIPPI, 1938—

The 120th Annual Communication was held at Meridian on February 15th, 1938.

Previous to the opening of Grand Lodge, public exercises were held. Music, an invocation, addresses of welcome and response constituted the program.

All Grand Officers were present, 250 Lodges were represented, 70 were not.

Two charters were issued to new Lodges, and one dispensation was granted to form a new Lodge.

Two Homes are maintained, one for boys and the other for girls. When we came to the reports of the Superintendents of these Homes, we just had to read every word. What a wonderful work.

The Grand Master made a number of visits during the year and is convinced that Freemasonry is on the upgrade.

They report a membership of 21,024, a net gain of 375 with 322 Lodges. They must find encouragement in this.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by Bro. Charles H. McCrane, Jr., who fraternally reviews Manitoba for 1937.

MISSOURI, 1938—

The 118th Annual Communication was held in St. Louis on September 27th, 1938. Prior to the opening of the Grand Lodge, entertainment was rendered by the children of the Masonic Home. A number of distinguished guests were received with appropriate honors.

From Grand Master Reader's address we learn that the Fraternity is in a healthy condition all over this state:

MASONIC LEADERSHIP

"It was Ralph Waldo Emerson who said in substance that every institution is the elongated shadow of one man. Whether or not we accept this dictum as true, it cannot be questioned that no organization rises higher than its leadership. By the nature of their constitution, this is peculiarly true in Masonic Lodges. It is imperative, therefore, that in the selection of Lodge Officers the utmost care be taken to choose wisely and well. By the unwritten law of our system, a man starting at the bottom of a Lodge line is pre-supposed ultimately to be the Master of the Lodge. Therefore, in considering him as a line appointee his fitness to fill the Master's chair must be kept in mind. It is easily conceivable that a Brother might make an excellent Senior Deacon, for instance, whose lack of initiative and executive ability would totally unfit him to preside over the Lodge.

"It is a great privilege to be Master of a Lodge; it is also a grave responsibility. The essential characteristics for a successful Master must, unquestionably include character that commands the respect not only of the Brethren but also of the Community; executive ability as the directing head of an organization of men; and the capacity for indefatigable labor. Especially in these days of economic distress, when many of our Brethren are tempted to drop out of our ranks owing to financial pressure, it is essential

that the Master of the Lodge be willing and able to deal patiently and sympathetically with individual Brethren, to the end that their problems may be solved. Such a condition demands exacting effort on the part of the Masters, but to my personal knowledge in this State such effort has resulted in much good. And to such Masters and Officers there accrues the satisfaction of realizing that through their sympathetic helpfulness Brethren have been deterred from leaving our ranks, and have been heartened by the spirit of real brotherliness."

Five cornerstones were laid during the year.

The formation of a Lodge of Research is also suggested and no doubt such a Lodge would be of great assistance to Masonry. There are 623 Lodges with a membership of 88,929.

In the report of the Masonic Home one of the outstanding items is the opening of the new Women's Building which was made possible through the saving of money out of the Initiation Fund and the generosity of the Masons of Missouri. Evidently each initiate has to pay $10.00 to the Masonic Home Fund. This might well be copied by other jurisdictions.

An excellent address was given by the Grand Orator, R.W. Bro. Dr. Cassius E. Street, who took for his subject "Masonry As a Way of Life", which was greatly appreciated. The topical review of the doings in the Masonic World during the past year is presented by M.W. Bro. Ray V. Denslow, P.G.M.

MONTANA, 1938—

The 74th Annual Communication was held in Billings on August 18th, 1938. M.W. Bro. Edwin Grafton, Grand Master.

The Grand Master delivered a good address and made a well expressed report of his official activities.

In making his visitations he reports having travelled 15,361 miles and found it a strenuous occupation. He also attended the Annual meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association and makes the following remarks regarding the Memorial:

"As the sightseeing bus neared the building, the driver made the following announcement, 'The Masonic Memorial to George Washington is located on Arlington Ridge, between Washington and Alexandria, on the highway to Mount Vernon. It is being erected by the Masons of the United States. The memorial is 231 feet long by 160 feet wide and rises to a height of 220 feet. One of its striking features is the great atrium, forming the memorial hall, containing a statue of Washington. The cost of the memorial which is of New England granite has been fixed at $4,000,000,00.

"At the meeting of the Association we were told that this building has been twenty-five years in building and is not yet finished; that it will cost about one-half million dollars to complete it, about one hundred thousand dollars to complete the grounds, and another million dollars for endowments."

A number of Dispensations were granted. The following extracts may be of interest to some of our readers:

"March 25th, 1938, I issued permission to North Star Lodge No. 46, Glasgow, to hold an open-air meeting in the pines near Glasgow. This permission was granted only after full assurance that the meeting would be safe from outside interference.

"June 20th, 1938, I granted permission to Billings Lodge No. 113 to hold an open-air meeting on Pompeys Pillar Rock at Pompeys Pillar, for the purpose of conferring the third degree and dedicating a marker to the memory of Captain Lewis and Captain Clark, pioneer Masons. The rock rises two hundred feet above the surrounding plain, and it was an easy matter to see that the Lodge was duly tiled. It was my great pleasure at this meeting to raise my own son to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. I also had the honor of unveiling the marker to the memory of Lewis and Clark."

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. Claude J. McAllister, P.G.M., which includes Manitoba for 1938.

NEBRASKA, 1938—

At the 81st Annual Communication held on June 7th, 1938, the M.W. Grand Lodge was opened with prayer. Fifteen Past Grand Masters were introduced and accorded a splendid reception. This is one of the little niceties of appreciation that might well be copied. We are always glad to have them with us, but seldom tell them so.

Grand Master Robertson's address is not lengthy, but it contains many items of interest to the Craft. He has given a great deal of time to visiting the subordinate Lodges, and other Masonic bodies.

We also notice that Bro. John Albert Van Anda has been appointed representative of Manitoba near the Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

From the returns we notice that there are 292 Chartered Lodges with a membership of 32,423. They also show a "Roll of Honor" bearing the names of Lodges reporting no delinquent for dues for the past year, but the one that arouses our curiosity is Right Angle Lodge No. 308, which is on the Honor Roll for the reason that it is the only Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction that has never shown a loss in membership from the date it received its charter. Why not show the date?

W. Bro. Robert Foster Patterson, the Grand Orator, delivered a wonderful and inspiring address entitled "And These Shall Never Die."

M.W. Bro. Edwin D. Crites, P.G.M., is the reviewer of Grand Lodge proceedings. His work is worthy of all praise. The report is in topical form and contains much information.

NEVADA, 1938—

The 74th Annual Communication was held in the City of Winnemucca, on June 9th, 1938.

Grand Master Merwyn H. Brown presiding. Seventeen Past Grand Masters were present. Bro. Chas. P. Hoskins, Mayor of Winnemucca, welcomed the Grand Lodge to Winnemucca on behalf of the citizens.

The Grand Master has to be congratulated on the enthusiasm he has shown during his term of office, and for the knowledge he has imparted to the Craft in his jurisdiction. Peace and harmony prevails.

Two cornerstones were laid during the year.

The Grand Secretary reports a balance of $3,703.03 in the General Fund, and $3,699.65 in the Charity Fund.

Manitoba was not represented at the roll call of Grand Representatives.

Bro. W. C. Watson, Grand Orator, delivered a very interesting Oration on "Doing Good". The following is culled from the "Report of the Committee on Charity".

"In connection with the growing requests for assistance in the case of Masonic Relief on the part of constituent lodges, it is the recommendation of this Committee that Grand Lodge go on record to the effect that all charity cases should be handled by the Constituent Lodge involved and until such time as they can no longer take care of the demands. Then they may feel free to call upon Grand Lodge to assist, but not until the individual Lodge has gone as far as it can in the matter."

The summary of Lodge returns shows 26 Lodges with a membership of 3,065, a net loss of 14.

M.W. Bro. E. C. Peterson, P.G.M., gives a splendid report on correspondence, giving Manitoba a fraternal review.

NEW BRUNSWICK, 1938—

This little Grand Lodge held its 71st Annual Communication in St. John, on August 25th, 1938. M.W. Bro. Guy H. Humphrey, Grand Master.

His Worship Bro. Mayor D. L. MacLauren as Mayor of the City of St. John, welcomed the brethren.

The Grand Master observed in his report that the office of Grand Representative is not a hollow honor. It involves a measure of responsibility that can be best exemplified by the wish of the individual to forward the friendly relations between the Grand Lodge to which he belongs and that which he represents by fraternal correspondence.

His remarks are timely on privileged members after a membership of Twenty-one or Twenty-five years exempts such members from the payment of any dues, for as he says, the Lodges after a few short years will have practically no income. He recommends those Lodges so afflicted to amend their By-laws immediately.

Another change recommended is the night of meeting, as there are some Lodges meeting based on some phase of the moon, to a specific night set aside for regular meetings.

The Grand Secretary reports 44 Lodges with a membership of 5,319.

The D.D.G.M. reported improvement in the Ritualistic Work and improved interest in Lodge activities.

No reviews.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1938—

M.W. Bro. Alexander MacIntosh, Grand Master.

Number of Lodges 81 with a membership of 13,346.

New Hampshire follows the practice of holding District Lodges of Instruction Meetings. The program is uniform. In the afternoon the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft Degrees are exemplified, and in the evening the Master Mason Degree is exemplified. The Grand Lecturer com-

mented and criticized the work. New Hampshire Masons are determined to make their work uniform and to see to it that the officers of the Constituent Lodges know what that uniform work is.

A special Communication was held at Charlestown for the purpose of dedicating the hall of Faithful Lodge No. 12.

The Annual Communication was convened on May 18th, 1938, in the City of Concord.

Manitoba's representative, Bro. Walter C. Chesley being present.

From the Grand Master's address:

"Conditions throughout the Masonic world today are such that we find that in some of the European countries, Germany, Italy, Austria and Spain, where problems which actually involve humanity and Masonry together and ought not to be considered as political or religions issues, the Rights of Justice and Toleration the very foundation of our Great Fraternity all have been thrown to the four winds. The Masons of these countries still stand firm, although not organized as such, and to us in America they look for moral support and encouragement. Let us not fail them.

"In the year just closing, we find Masonic conditions all over our country slowly improving, and in our own Grand Jurisdiction progress has been made and the outlook is favorable. Much work having been done the past year, and we look forward with confidence to the future."

"GEORGE WASHINGTON NATIONAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

"No actual construction work has been done this year on the building but plans now include the completion of the Blue Lodge Room. When this is completed, the whole of the ground floor will have been finished.

Total amount of money already spent on the Memorial	$4,000,000.00
Estimated cost for the completion	600,000.00
Contributing at this meeting (approximately)	67,000.00

"New Hampshire still stands proudly at the head of the list, contributing this year $552.00 as her contribution from new members."

The D.D.G.M.'s make a specific report of every visit made, and the reports show keen interest and healthy activity in the Constituent Lodges in this Jurisdiction.

The Grand Treasurer reports General Fund balance to be $27,557.99. The Charity Fund having disbursements amounting to $778.28 with a balance of $26,900.82 it is also worthy of notice that each initiate has to pay $2.00 towards the Charity Fund. This might well be considered by other jurisdictions.

M.W. Bro. J. Melvin Dresser, P.G.M., presents his first review of the Foreign Correspondence. His reviews are terse and well worded.

Manitoba for 1937 being fraternally reviewed.

NEW JERSEY, 1938—

Their Book for 1938 is a most interesting and voluminous volume, with many interesting addresses given on this occasion.

Their 151st Annual Communication was held in Trenton, on April 20th, 1938.

Grand Master Harry E. Hutchinson presiding.

There were present a full corps of Grand Lodge Officers, twenty Past Grand Masters, thirty-one District Deputy Grand Masters, and the representatives of 274 Lodges.

R.W. Bro. James F. Russell represented Manitoba. Many distinguished visitors were also present.

The Grand Master submitted a very comprehensive report of his year's work, making many visitations within his own

Grand Jurisdiction and without, several of those being designated "Gold Collar Nights", evidently at those meetings the Grand Lodge Officers are in attendance.

From his report on "Memorials":

"MEMORIALS

"Upon the death of a member his Lodge invariably expresses sympathy by a floral piece. This is commendable, but the medium of expression is but fleeting, in that it soons fades and disappears. Undoubtedly, with all such tokens of sympathy there was the wish that they might continue to be beautiful and expressive.

St. John's Lodge No. 1, has made such a wish a reality by adopting a unique and commendable plan. They have discontinued the sending of floral pieces, and instead, contribute the money to the Masonic Home as a memorial to the deceased Brother. A suitable card of condolence is sent to the family indicating that this has been done.

"The amounts thus contributed to the Home could be designated as a "Memorial Endowment Fund" thus perpetuating our expression of sympathy in a most practical way. With a death rate of approximately 1,400 per year, the annual accretion through such contributions would be considerable. Such an endowment fund would increase from year to year and the income would go far in providing care and maintenance.

"This is a splendid procedure, one worthy of emulation, and I heartily commend this plan to the Lodges for their thoughtful consideration and adoption."

The Trustees of the Masonic Home and Charity Foundation report that at the end of the year, the census of guests was as follows:

"Master Masons, 84; women, 90; boys, 36; girls, 22; a total of 232. At the end of the period under review the Board is extending outside financial assistance from the Charity Foundation to 194 cases, comprising 283 individuals, at an expenditure of $4,326.66 monthly, or about $15.20 per person per month.

"At the close of the present year, February 28th, we have on record 49 open cases, consisting of Master Masons, 14; women, 19; couples, 7; wife and children, 1, and daughter (child) 1; to be presented to the Board for consideration and action upon completion of the necessary documents and investigations."

There are 278 Lodges with a membership of 77,488.

The Foreign Correspondence is by several members of the Committee, each initialing his own piece of work. Manitoba receives a generous share of attention.

NEW MEXICO, 1938—

The 61st Annual Communication was held at Albuquerque, on October 17th, 1938. M.W. Bro. Alva L. Hamilton, Grand Master in the East.

Grand Master Hamilton in a businesslike address opened his remarks by explaining a few of the essential features as follows:

"The By-laws provide that on all questions, voting shall be by show of hands, and no one shall be permitted to vote whose name has not been enrolled by the Committee on Credentials. Each Master and Warden of a Lodge, or their proxy and each past and present elective Grand Officer is entitled to one vote. Past Masters and District Deputy Grand Masters may participate in the discussion of all questions but do not have a vote unless they hold a proxy to represent a stationed officer of their Lodge. Other Master Masons have neither voice nor vote."

The Grand Master is a believer in District Deputy Grand Masters. He says they, like rare wine, improve with age. We agree with him, that District Deputy Grand Masters, when found suitable, and if agreeable, should be requested to continue in office.

During the year he was asked to make only four decisions. One of which may be of interest to our readers:

"Q. Is a man eligible to petition for the degrees who is a subject of Germany and who has not applied for citizenship in the United States?

"A. Section 3, Article IX of the Grand Lodge By-laws outlines the disqualifications of petitioners. No mention is made of

citizenship, and the subject of any country is eligible to petition a New Mexico Lodge for the degrees."

A well arranged program of District Meetings made it possible for the Grand Master to meet members of every Lodge in the Jurisdiction.

On the condition of the Craft the Grand Master is justly satisfied, and so he may, as an increase of 67 in membership is noted.

P.G.M. M.W. Bro. John Milne submits the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, which is an interesting review of the various proceedings reviewed, including Manitoba.

NEW SOUTH WALES, 1938—

A special Communication of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, was held in Sydney, on July 9th, 1937, when Grand Lodge was opened in ample form by the M.W. the Grand Master M.W. Bro. His Excellency Lord Gowrie, V.C., who has been re-elected Grand Master.

At this time the Grand Lodge Officers were invested and installed. The Grand Master in his address referred to the Investiture as Past Grand Master of His Majesty King George VI. This took place at a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of England in London. Shortly before his accession he was installed as Grand Master of Scotland, but in accordance with the usual custom he relinquished both offices on ascending the Throne of England.

The Grand Lodge meets in Quarterly Communications. During the year the Grand Lodge business included some important items:

"A. Clear off the indebtedness of the Masonic Temples (suburban and country) throughout the Jurisdiction, and relieve the guarantors of their liability.

"B. Build a Temple worthy of this Jurisdiction, and

"C. Establish a Fund from which Lodges desiring to build their own Temple can obtain funds at reasonable rates."

The Grand Inspector of Workings reports Masonry is in a healthy state, the spirit of goodwill and harmony prevailing and interest in the Fraternity being well maintained, and also comments on the good type of candidate offering for initiation.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is presented in topical form.

NEW YORK, 1938—

The 157th Annual Communication was held in the City of New York on May 3rd, 1938.

M.W. Bro. Jacob C. Klinck, Grand Master, presiding.

The Grand Master's address is a summary of tasks honorably performed. Its closely reasoned parts make a substantial contribution to Masonic thought concerning many problems of these troubled times. Under the heading "Restorations and Recruits" he suggests the encouragement of young men of correct standards, particularly sons of Masons to follow in the pathway of their fathers. To many such, the expense of initiation may be a present bar to membership in our Fraternity. He goes on to say the Lodges well may consider the policy of adopting a Junior initiation fee for young men within a given age.

The Grand Secretary reports the number of Master Masons at December 31st, 1937, to be 262,044, a decrease of 7,052, the number of lodges being 1,036. The total Grand Lodge expense is shown to be $307,638.82.

Correspondence:—The report by M.W. Bro. S. Nelson Sawyer, P.G.M., gives an excellent survey of conditions in Masonry throughout the world. Manitoba coming under review.

NEW ZEALAND, 1937—

The 48th Annual Communication was held in Auckland, on November 24th, 1937.

The Grand Lodge having been opened in ample form, the Grand Chaplain invoked the blessing of the Most High upon the Proceedings.

M.W. Bro. Viscount Galway was unanimously chosen to fill the office of M.W. Grand Master for another term.

The Board of Benevolence report that:

"Sixty-three cases were dealt with by the Board during the year (including applications for subsidiary grants from the balance of Circular Appeal moneys) as compared with 54 for the year 1936. The total amount expended on relief from the Fund of Benevolence was £1,121 1s. 1d, as against £766 14s. 5d. for the previous year.

"WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' AND AGED MASONS' FUND

"The total amount received and credited to the account of this fund during the past year was £12,357 17s. 2d. made up as follows:

	1936	1937
Contributions from Lodges	£ 6,618 18 10	£ 5,680 1 3
From other sources	46 15 6	390 8 6
Interest from Invested Funds ..	6,020 2 10	6,287 7 5
	£12,685 17 2	£12,357 17 2

We are also pleased to note that R.W. Bro. Samuel Burland has been appointed Grand Representative of this Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

Their Foreign Correspondence is published in their Magazine, "The New Zealand Freemason". There are 302 Lodges with a membership of 25,490.

NEW ZEALAND, 1938—

The 49th Annual Communication was held at Christchurch on November 23rd, 1938.

The M.W. Grand Master, Bro. The Rt. Hon. Viscount Galway, opened the Grand Lodge in ample form. After the confirmation of the minutes, the Grand Lodge proceeded with the election of Grand Master for the ensuing year.

The report of the Board of General Purposes advised that M.W. Bro. George Vere Arundell Viscount Galway had been again chosen to fill the office of Grand Master.

The Board of Benevolence reported 69 cases were dealt with during the year as compared with 63 for the year 1937. The total amount expended on relief from the Fund of Benevolence was £961 8s. 3d. as against £1,121 1s. 1d. for the year.

This Grand Jurisdiction shows an increase of 298 in membership.

No reviews.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1938—

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina convened in its 151st Annual Communication in Raleigh, on April 19th, 1938.

M.W. Bro. Watson, N. Sherrod, Grand Master, presiding.

The Grand Master delivered a businesslike address and has to be congratulated upon his successful administration of the affairs of the Grand Lodge, also for the good work which he has done during the year.

In each of the forty-two districts of the State he visited at the District Meetings which were well attended.

On the question of "Lotteries and Gambling Devices", a program of this nature was brought before him, and he took prompt and vigorous action and directed that it be stopped at once. The following is culled from his decisions:

"Q. Which is the proper point of the compasses to show in a Fellow Craft Lodge?

"A. It does not make any difference which point of the compasses is concealed or which bare so long as one point of the compasses is concealed."

He reports the general condition of the Craft to be a great deal better than it has been for several years.

The Grand Secretary reports 336 Lodges with a total membership of 26,888.

The "Historical Review of Freemasonry" and the "Masonic Revolutionary Patriots" of North Carolina make very interesting reading.

The report of the Foreign Correspondence is prepared by Bro. J. Edward Allen. It is well written and interesting.

Manitoba's report evidently had not reached the reviewer in time for inclusion in his report.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1938—

The 49th Annual Communication was held at Fargo on June 21st, 1938.

Because of the presence of distinguished guests from Manitoba the Union Jack accompanied the Stars and Stripes to the Altar and the first verses of "America" and "God Save The King" were sung. The Pembina meeting in 1921 marked the first joint gathering of Manitoba and North Dakota Masons. Since then the exchange of visitations has been frequent and now we believe has been established on a yearly basis. Among the distinguishd guests received at this time were R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, D.G.M., representing the Grand Master, the Hon. Robert Hawkins; Rev. George R. Calvert, J.G.W., and Past Grand Masters Wm. Douglas, Harry Woods and John T. Boyd, all from Manitoba.

Grand Master Charles M. Pollock presented his address in which he gives a complete account of his service to the Craft. During the year he made 66 visitations in his official capacity. From the Grand Master's address:

"INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

"Too much emphasis cannot be placed upon the wholesome results of International Masonic Meetings with our good Brethren from the Dominion of Canada. It was with a great deal of pleasure that I attended more than a few of these functions: viz: Lake Metigoshe, Bowbells, Bottineau, Minto, Crosby and Langdon. besides participating in exchange visits between Winnipeg and Fargo in the York Rite Bodies. Other fine meetings have been held along the border at Rolla. Such fine gentlemanly folk are our Canadian Brethren and how generous they are with their friendship! We are fortunate in our neighbors and should ever strive to warrant their regard and esteem.

"As an evidence of the wholehearted co-operation of our Canadian Brethren, I am most happy to announce that at the last Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, the sum of One Hundred Dollars ($100) was appropriated for Masonic Island in Lake Metigoshe. For this we are most grateful. And I may also announce that the programme at the International Masonic picnic on the island this year will be in charge of the M.W. the Grand Master of Manitoba, the Hon. Robert Hawkins, who will give the principal address."

He believes that the very life of our institution depends on a well functioning committee on Masonic Service and Education.

Lodge finances are under consideration and a financial survey is to be made by the Finance Committee.

Thirty-six Dispensations were granted. The Grand Treasurer reports Relief Fund disbursements to be $2,570.44.

The Grand Secretary reports the membership to be 11,456.

W. Bro. Alexander G. Burr, Grand Orator, gave a very interesting oration, taking for his subject "Masonry's Historic Stand". The following is culled from this proceedings

for the information of our Manitoba brethren and to show that your representatives are held in high esteem by our North Dakota brethren:

"REMARKS

"R.W. Bro. Wm. D. Lawrence, Deputy Grand Master of Manitoba, was called upon. He said he was no stranger in Fargo or North Dakota. He came to bring warm fraternal greetings as well as the regrets of M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins, Grand Master, who found it impossible to be present. Bro. Lawrence is not only an able lawyer and an enthusiastic Mason, but also an effective public speaker. His remarks were timely and to the point. He emphasized the need of the spirit of Freemasonry which is fraternal good will and brotherly love, now more than ever. He felt that as never before the English speaking peoples must stand together for the preservation of freedom and democracy. His address was enthusiastically received.

"The other members of the Manitoba delegation were called upon to stand at Grand Master Pollock's left in this order: M.W. Bros. Wm. Douglas, Harry Woods and John T. Boyd, typifying Youth, Manhood and Age; Wisdom, Strength and Beauty. We shall not assume to make the personal application but suffice to say that these three fine friends and Masons are most welcome guests."

In June, 1939, this Grand Lodge will celebrate its Golden Jubilee and the special committee is now at work in making preparations for this event.

M.W. Bro. Walter H. Murfin, P.G.M., presents the Correspondence Report, which is a complete and interesting review. Manitoba is most generously treated.

NORTH CHINA, E.C., 1938—(District Grand Lodge)

The regular meeting was held in Shanghai on March 22nd, 1938, R.W. Bro. W. Nation, D.G.M., presiding. A number of visitors representing the Scottish, Massachusetts and Irish Constitutions were in attendance, also V.W. Bro. F. J. Fikermont, Deputy Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Vienna.

The D.G.M. reported that he had been strongly advised to abandon the meeting of the District Grand Lodge which was to have been held in Tientsin in October, 1937, owing to Sino-Japanese hostilities.

The District Grand Treasurer reports the working account for the year ending December 31st, 1937, discloses a surplus of $1,670.14, which compares with a surplus of $677.36 for 1936. Income for the year amounted to $6,080.79 as against $6,557.14 for the preceding year.

R.W. Bro. Nation delivered a very interesting address referring to hostilities in this vast country. Fortunately, as far as he knew, none of the brethren had lost their lives, or suffered personal injury through the hostilities, though scarcely one will have escaped material or financial loss of one kind or another. None of the Masonic buildings have suffered damage, which is remarkable considering the extent and nearness of the air-raids and shellfire. An alteration in the time of holding meetings was necessary owing to curfew regulations.

Several Lodges also made attendance easier for their members by waiving the old custom of attending in evening dress. It seems possible this revision may have come to stay.

The membership at December 31st, 1937, being 995 with 11 Lodges.

The District Grand Lodge meeting was held on October 22nd, 1938, in Tientsin.

Membership is reported as 1,054 with 11 Lodges.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1938—

They met in Annual Communication at Halifax, on June 8th, 1938. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. N. T. Avard presiding. The Grand Lodge being opened in ample form, a

sermon was delivered by the Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Canon I. E. Fraser, followed by prayer and the reading of the scripture lesson.

The Grand Master's address covers a comprehensive summary of Masonic activities during the past year.

He feels that he had a wonderful year for Masonry throughout this Grand jurisdiction. During his official visits he made some practical suggestions for the betterment of Lodge work. From his concluding remarks we extract the following:

"In this age of strenuous competition, we feel the need for escape. Let us find through our Craft the more abundant life. At this spring season of the year, when the sap is flowing upward, when the trees are coming into leaf and the blossoms are bursting forth, we need to find the Creator's message in Nature. Each tree must bear its own fruit, in pride of individual production.

"So we as individual Masons must get back to the symbolism of our fraternity. Let us permit Masonry, that innate sense of goodness, which penetrates deep into our souls to control our daily activities. It has been said that 'the only defence of privilege is service.' Therefore, while we wear the square and compasses, let us stand four square to the world, using our compass as our guide to build a better kingdom here below.

"Having regard for the great principles which form the very lifeblood of Masonry, let us each realize that he has personal duties to perform. Let us not merely talk about them in our parlors, but try to show in practical fashion that we intend each to do his part in solving the problems that have to be solved.

"Hold high the torch, we did not light its glow,
'Twas given to us from other hands you know,
'Tis only ours to keep it burning bright,
Ours to pass on when we no more need light."

From the report of the Trustees of the Masonic Home we learn that:

"There are now 28 guests in the Home. Five died during the year and three others left by arrangements. Six new guests were admitted. In addition, we are maintaining or assisting fourteen others outside the Home. This is three more than at the same date last year."

The D.D.G.M.'s reports would indicate that Masonry in Nova Scotia continues to be an active and virile force. The Bi-centenary celebrations were opened on July 10th with many distinguished Masons from Scotland, England, Ireland and the United States of America, also the Grand Lodges in Canada; Manitoba being represented by M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd, P.G.M., and R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, D.G.M.

The Bible in use at this time is one which the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island is sending over the world for rededication.

The review of Foreign Correspondence is submitted by R.W. Bro. James C. Jones, Grand Secretary, Manitoba for 1937 being well treated.

OHIO, 1938—

The Grand Lodge of Ohio at the 129th Annual Communication met in the City of Cincinnati, on October 19th, 1938. Seventeen Past Grand Masters were present and guests from other Grand Jurisdictions.

Grand Master Blakemore in his address said:

"Many years ago I started the custom in my district of holding a District reception for the Grand Master. I have always felt that such District Meetings were the logical solution to the urgent demands upon the Grand Master's time. They best fulfill the desire of the Brethren and the Lodges to meet the Grand Master and hear his message. On the other hand, it has always seemed to me that the little Lodges in the smaller towns should, wherever possible, occasionally be brought into contact with the Grand Lodge and the Grand Master. Feeling this way very intensely, and having both the time and the inclination, I made a special point, wherever possible, of visiting those Lodges who seldom if ever see a Grand Lodge Officer, not to mention the Grand Master. I find from my records that I made in all some one hundred and seventy odd visits to Masonic Bodies. I travelled by train and auto over 46,000 miles in doing so, and nothing in my year gave me as great pleasure as these contacts with the Brethren over the State. Of course, included in this 46,000 miles were visits to the

Grand Masters' conference in Washington, the Ohio Grand Chapter of Eastern Star in Cleveland, and visits to special celebrations in Canada and to Grand Lodge meetings in the United States. As a concrete example of my activities, I might state that I bought a new auto last Easter and when it was wrecked in September, five months later, I had run 23,500 miles on Masonic errands."

"Especially in the larger cities a careless custom has arisen of recognizing men who were formerly Brethren but who have terminated their membership through non-payment of dues or for some other reason. This is absolutely illegal and should be promptly stopped. The only adequate check-up is a request that they produce current dues receipts on request. The question of the recognition of various youth movements such as DeMolay, Rainbow Girls, Job's Daughters, and other organizations predicated on Masonic relationship is a pertinent and urgent one, and in my opinion calls for your prompt, courageous, and thorough consideration."

The Grand Secretary reports 623 Lodges with a membership of 174,698.

The address delivered by M.W. Bro. James B. Ruhl, P.G.M., on "Masonry in the Great Northwest", makes very interesting reading. The Historian, Bro. James J. Tyler, M.D., submitted a report on "Chillicothe and the Beginning of the Grand Lodge of Ohio", prepared in a most interesting manner, which must have entailed a vast amount of time and labor searching for this information.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended the recognition of the Grand Lodges of Sweden, Norway and Denmark.

They further recommend that the applications of the Grand Lodge, "Cosmos", of the State of Chihuahua, Mexico, and the Grand Lodge of Palestine, be referred for further consideration. The report of this Committee is submitted by M.W. Bro. Earl Stewart, P.G.M., includes sixty-five reviews and a very valuable topical index. He gives Manitoba a very kindly review.

OKLAHOMA, 1938—

On February 8th, 1938, they convened in their 30th Annual Communication in the City of McAlester. Besides the Grand Officers, there were twenty Past Grand Masters; Manitoba's representative, Bro. Clyde Ray, being present.

They have an Endowment Fund which has been increased $2,498.83 in the past year. Most of the contributions have come as a result of having the subject mentioned. Several requests have been made to this Grand Lodge and transferred to the Charity Foundation.

There were seven consolidations of Lodges during the year. Nine cornerstones were laid. The Grand Secretary reports out of 424 Lodges in the Jurisdiction, returns have been received from all but one, a membership of 46,658.

The Report of Foreign Correspondence is prepared by M.W. Bro. Thomas C. Humphrey, P.G.M., this being his thirty-second report. Manitoba coming under review.

OREGON, 1938—

The 88th Annual Communication was convened in Portland, on June 15th, 1938, by M.W. Bro. Carl G. Patterson, Grand Master. Nineteen Past Grand Masters were present.

Bro. Wilmot K. Royal represented Manitoba.

The Grand Master has had an exceptionally busy year and has travelled 27,000 miles requiring 90 days, and delivered 35 addresses and attended many meetings. Five cornerstones were laid during the year.

The following is extracted from "Rulings and Decisions":

"November 21st, 1937—Question by D.D.G.M.—The other evening I attended a Lodge and found that they had been solicited and had purchased a number of Aprons for the use of visitors

with the letters 'GUESTS' printed in black across the top. The letters were about one inch in size. I doubt the wisdom and propriety of the use of special Aprons for visitors and I wonder if this is another innovation. I wish to know if I should suggest that their use be discontinued?

"Answer:—This is an innovation and their use should be discontinued. Section 149, Sub-division 3, of the Code definitely describes the apron to be worn in this Grand Jurisdiction as 'a plain white apron . . . of white lambskin or cloth entirely plain, without emblem or device, measuring 16 inches square.' While this section refers to the clothing of officers and members of the Grand Lodge, it is my opinion that it also refers to the aprons worn in the constituent Lodge and I so rule."

This does look like an innovation.

The Masonic Service and Employment Bureau is rendering a valuable service to Masonry in Oregon by finding employment for worthy brethren. The total number of positions filled during 1937 being 1,045. The reviewer wishes there were more of these bureaus throughout other Jurisdictions. The Board of Relief is also doing good work, financial assistance disbursed to the amount of $8,477.56 with hospitalization furnished brethren occupying sick beds and many visits to sick brethren. Masonic Education is also receiving attention and it is recommended that a special committee be appointed to prepare a syllabus of Masonic study to be available to any interested study club. An eloquent address on "The Perfect Ashlar" by the Grand Orator, Bro. Arthur D. Hay, was greatly appreciated. The annual returns show the membership to be 24,323.

A copious and interesting review of the Proceedings of Grand Lodges was presented by M.W. Bro. Otto C. Hagmeier, P.G.M., in which Manitoba is treated generously.

PANAMA, 1938—

The 22nd Annual Communication was held on April 9th, 1938, in the City of Panama, Grand Master David C. Robles presiding.

The following is from the Grand Master's address:

—"All of us are conversant with the abnormal situation through which the Democratic Ideals in the world are endangered. The current of opposition to our principles of Toleration, Individual Liberty and Personal Security has loosened its fury as an incontrolable tempest against the human conquests that were the high aspiration and fruitful realization towards spiritual, intellectual and material happiness of mankind as a thinking being, useful to his fellow-creatures. The enthroning of asphyxiating exotic theories, the irrestrict pride of dictatorial practices, in certain governments, have made possible the inception, within the life of nations, of dangerous schools with tendency to regression by means of which all form of Liberty, Toleration, and Human Rights are suppressed. With this menace, Freemasonry suffers the consequence thereof, as it belongs to the school that fosters all those aspects of human convivial. For this reason it is today more necessary than before that we strive in behalf of Moderation, of Respect for the Human Rights; and same must be to us as Masons a sacred banner around which we must join and under its shadow we are bound to be faithful."

No report of the number of Lodges or membership.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1938—

The First Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania was held on March 2nd, 1938, in Philadelphia, M.W. Bro. Robert R. Lewis, Grand Master, presiding.

Two hundred and thirty-nine Lodges being represented. Five Past Grand Masters being present. Routine business was carried on.

At the Quarterly Communication held on September 7th, 1938, the Grand Master announced the handsome gift of $40,000.00 from Bro. Jacob Frey King, for the erection of an abattoir at the Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown.

The Annual Communication was held on December 27th, 1938, in Philadelphia, with 123 Lodges represented. The Building Committee of the new Masonic Temple reports that

they are of the opinion that the necessity for the erection of a new Masonic Temple does not at present exist, as business and economic conditions do not at this time warrant any action by Grand Lodge relative to a building program.

The Grand Master in his address reports having made official visits to 57 Lodges located in 46 different cities and towns, in all parts of his jurisdiction, and had attended 51 other evening Masonic meetings.

The Grand Master exercised his prerogative on two occasions to make "Masons at Sight". We wonder sometimes if some of those Masons made at sight, would pass if they had to go through the usual procedure.

Dispensations were granted on two occasions to receive petitions from candidates who were 20 years old.

There are 566 Lodges (12 of which are without names) the total membership being 77,814.

No reviews.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, 1938—

The 26th Annual Communication was held in the City of Manila, on January 25th, 1938.

Bro. Rafael Palma, Grand Representative for Manitoba, was present.

M.W. Bro. Joseph H. Alley, Grand Master, in his address reports that the Lodges are in better condition than they have been for some time, also that they are working in peace and harmony. Many of the Lodges are composed of Filipinos and Americans. He believes the co-operation within a Lodge of the different elements which compose his Grand

Jurisdiction always results in a better balanced organization, better mutual understanding and stronger fraternal brotherhood.

An agreement has been arranged between this Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, Scotland, Massachusetts and Vienna to resume fraternal relations which were broken off sometime ago. This agreement, in short, provides that each Grand Lodge operating in China will talk over matters of major import to Masonry in China and will give due consideration to the recommendations of the Advisory Council.

He also visited the Lodges in China, at which time he found them all prosperous and growing.

The Grand Secretary reports 101 Lodges with a membership as follows:

Filipinos, 2,681; Americans, 1,958; Chinese, 473; other nationalities, 134, making a total of 5,246.

A brief history is given of the Masonic Dormitory for Sons of Masons, "A home away from home" to enable them to pursue their studies under the best conditions. Requests are being received from Brethren in different parts of the Islands, that the Grand Lodge also provide a dormitory for girls. The Committee on Jurisprudence rejected a resolution to adopt the tagalog language as an official language of the Grand Lodge, in addition to English and Spanish.

V.W. Bro. David W. Au, D.D.G.M. for China, gave an interesting report on the conditions in China.

No reviews.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1938—

The 63rd Annual Communication was held at Port Hill, on June 22nd, 1938.

M.W. Bro. T. Gordon Ives, Grand Master, presiding. Manitoba was represented by R.W. Bro. Donald Baker, who was unanimously elected Grand Master.

Nine Past Grand Masters were honored in the Grand East. The Grand Master visited every Lodge in his Jurisdiction during the year, and had a degree exemplified by the Lodge Officers, and was well satisfied with the results of his visitations.

The first seed of Freemasonry in Canada was sown in Prince Edward Island 157 years ago, and what is now known as St. John's Lodge was organized in 1797 and the Grand Lodge instituted in 1875 with a group of six subordinate Lodges.

From the Grand Master's address the following:

"I believe our Lodges are gradually, though slowly, coming to a better knowledge of the true object of our Institution and are becoming better acquainted with the jurisprudence by which we are governed. What is more encouraging is, their officers are generally manifesting a greater desire to know their duties, and knowing them, to follow the highway which our predecessors have laid down before us. Builded upon an everlasting foundation, our Institution has stood the test of ages, and defies the attacks of ignorance and stupidity from within and without, as granite defies the elements.

"Masonry conceives the Sovereign mind of the universe as the Great Architect and Supreme Builder with whom we, as Masons, work with for the building of the Temple of Brotherhood. The greatness of Masonry is not in its ritual, impressive as that ritual is; it is not in its temples, beautiful as those temples are; it is not in its wealth, vast as that wealth may seem to be,—the greatness of Masonry is in its Fellowship. I found in every official visit that true spirit of Fellowship, and after our labors were ended, on every occasion we gathered together around the festive board and enjoyed a social hour where brother could talk to brother and express the innermost thoughts of his being.

"Looking into the future, it is my earnest hope that there shall be a continuing effort toward the maintenance of those things which have made our Fraternity great in the past; that there shall be a marked strengthening of the moral fibre of our friendship to the end that Freemasonry shall meet every challenge and that

it shall survive through all the coming years as an inspiration to all men to so live that the world shall be better because of its work. Thus we stand in the midst of the world's greatest transition era when, as never before, men need the guiding, steadying influence of infallible landmarks.

"There has never been a time when greater opportunities have come to Masonry. Strong men are needed today in national and civic life. Where can we hope to find such men if not in the ranks of our great Fraternity. If the lessons which we have been taught in Masonry have in truth made a deep and lasting impression upon our lives and conduct, then surely we will be better able to fulfil the duties we owe to God, our country, our neighbor and ourselves."

The Grand Secretary reports the first gain in membership since 1931. There are 15 Lodges with a total membership of 1,084.

This Grand Lodge invited the delegates from other Grand Lodges who were visiting the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia to visit this Province as their guests on July 15th, and from all reports they must have had a wonderful time.

No reviews.

QUEBEC, 1939—

The 69th Annual Communication was held in the City of Montreal, on February 8th, 1939. Besides representatives of 91 of their 93 Lodges, six Past Grand Masters were in attendance. Grand Master McLellan delivered an excellent address in which he states:

"As we view the chaotic state of the present day world, it is well for us to gather around the Altar of Freemasonry and renew our faith in the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, and the God of our salvation.

"We are glad and feel fortified in the presence of distinguished guests from other Grand Jurisdictions, whom we most cordially welcome; and as they unite with us in this act of faith and dedication, may we all fervently implore our God to so temper the minds of the rulers of the world, that ordered peace may prevail and the sacred rights of mankind may be respected.

"Dictators, who place the interests of the State as the paramount concern and ruthlessly trample the individual under the iron heel of despotism, have an implacable hatred for all democratic institutions that foster liberty of conscience and freedom within the law. In addition to the forces of materialism and reaction, the pseudo-masonry, atheistic in principle and political in purpose, has brought upon legitmate masonry the wrath of totalitarian states and the suppression of the Order in lands where the light of liberty has been extinguished. Masonry has had traducers in every age, but the Freemasonry of the Mother Grand Lodge of England, has withstood the misrepresentations and calumnies of enemies through adherence to the vital principles of belief in God, the rights of the individual and the moral integrity of brotherhood."

He also reports attending the Bi-Centennial celebration of the founding of the First Masonic Lodge in Canada at Annapolis Royal in Nova Scotia.

The recapitulation of Returns shows 93 Lodges with a membership of 13,868.

M.W. Bro. E. A. Evans, P.G.M., presents the Foreign Correspondence Report, wherein he accords Manitoba courteous attention.

QUEENSLAND, 1938—

Quarterly Communications were held during the year, however, they consisted largely of reports of Committees, with statistical and other tables.

The Board of General Purposes considers and acts upon all important matters which are to be presented to the Grand Lodge.

RHODE ISLAND, 1938—

The Semi-Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the City of Providence, on November 15th, 1938.

Distinguished Visitors from Vermont, Connecticut and New York were present.

Grand Master Aldrich reported that he had granted Dispensations to eleven Lodges to attend Divine Service and to eleven Lodges for other purposes.

A recheck is being made by an investigator of all charity cases, to determine if there have been any changes in their status.

Outstanding dues seems to be causing some concern and the Grand Master suggests the appointment of a Committee to go into this matter.

From his concluding remarks:

"So swift is the passage of time that it is difficult to realize that today one-half of the Masonic year lies behind us.

"After a study of the Institution of Freemasonry one marvels at the farsightedness of our forefathers in framing its constitution and by-laws, and the beauty of its ritual. There should be no difficulty in the practice of its principles in our daily life, but its success depends entirely on the type of its membership, and I strongly advise exercising great care in the consideration of all applicants. The strength of the Fraternity lies in the quality of its membership rather than in numbers.

"A Masonic Lodge can and should be a factor in the life of its community not through any concerted action on the part of the Lodge itself, but rather through the exemplary conduct of its members. The Institution as a whole is often judged by the actions of an individual, and when we assume the obligations of a Mason we are responsible not to ourselves alone, but to those Brethren with whom we are associated and bound by ties of fidelity and honor.

"Peace and harmony prevail throughout the jurisdiction, and a fine fraternal spirit exists between the constituent Lodges and Grand Lodge."

The 148th Annual Communication was held in Providence on May 16th, 1938.

The Grand Master in his address reports peace and harmony and a renewed interest in Masonry. From his Address, the following:

JURISDICTIONAL COURTESIES

"Last June we received a letter from the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England asking us to consider and express our views on a question that arose from the fact that applications for initiation in Lodges in the Burma District of the Grand Lodge of England were being received from American citizens which required release of jurisdiction from the Grand Lodge of the State in which these citizens resided, with the result that, due to the long delay which ensued, the candidate either lost interest or, as was more frequently the case, initiated in a Lodge under another jurisdiction, and the Grand Lodge of England wished permission to receive these applications and act upon same without first requesting release of jurisdiction from this Grand Lodge. This matter was turned over to our Foreign Correspondence Committee for their study and action, and they reported in effect that these applications received from citizens who reside in Rhode Island might well be received without first obtaining a release of jurisdiction by this Grand Lodge. Their request was granted.

MASONIC RELIEF

"It is interesting to note that there were 67 cases on our relief roll in 1936; there are but 45 as of this date."

There are 43 Lodges with a membership of 16,102.

No reviews.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1938—

M.W. Bro. Mark Musk on the Throne.

The 32nd Annual Communication was held in the city of Prince Albert, on June 15th, 1938. Manitoba was not represented on this occasion, when the Grand Representatives were received. Our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins, accompanied by R.W. Bro. J. Gardner, P.D.D.G.M., were presented to Grand Lodge by M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey.

From the Grand Master's address:

URBAN AND RURAL LODGES

"As your Grand Master the welfare of our Masonic family has been constantly in my thoughts. After my tour of the seventeen

District Meetings, it occured to me that our large Urban Lodges, while having problems of their own, nevertheless, had distinct advantages not enjoyed by our smaller Rural Lodges. Masonry has a great mission to perform. Masonic enthusiasm and inspiration must radiate from largely attended, worth while Lodge meetings. I felt, therefore, that within our own family we might help each other—the stronger helping the weaker. I accordingly suggested to the Urban Lodges, that each Lodge take an especial interest in one Rural Lodge; that immediate contact be made by correspondence, and that an interchange of visits be arranged, primarily with the object of the Urban Lodge assisting the Rural Lodge in the solution of its problems. I am pleased to note that inter-lodge visitations are quite general in our Jurisdiction, but what I am most anxious to impress on our Urban Lodges is the great benefit that will accrue from their visiting those Lodges that are most in need of inspiration and help. I am proud to be in a position to report to Grand Lodge that my proposal met with the immediate and enthusiastic support of our Urban Lodges, and at the present time, with but one exception, all Urban Lodges are taking a 'big brotherly interest' in an individual Rural Lodge. I sincerely hope and believe that worth while results will accrue from this activity. The development of this project has entailed considerable clerical work, and I wish to thank the Assistant Grand Secretary for his valuable advice and enthusiastic support."

The Grand Master is to be congratulated upon the capable manner in which he has discharged the duties of his high office, under most trying economic circumstances. The report of the Committee on Condition of Freemasonry is hopeful of a revivial in Masonry in the ensuing year.

The Board of Trustees of the Benevolent Fund report that during the past twelve months $15,312.95 has been paid out in grants.

Our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. R. Hawkins, also R.W. Bro. J. Gardner had the privilege of addressing the Brethren and tendering the greetings of the Brethren of the Mother Grand Lodge.

The returns show 198 Lodges with a membership of 12,511 a net loss of 179.

Bro. W. W. Martin presents the Review of Correspondence and treats Manitoba kindly.

SCOTLAND, 1938-1939—

This volume of 198 pages bears the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Scotland covering their Quarterly Communications.

Aside from a complete listing of the subordinate lodges and the announcement of the restoring of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, also a committee met in conference with representatives from the Grand Lodges of England and Ireland with reference to the present political position on the continent and its effect upon Freemasonry.

"As a result of this Conference a statement was approved regarding the aims and relationships of the Craft, and recommended to be issued. This has been given effect to by the United Grand Lodge of England.

"The statement is as follows:

AIMS AND RELATIONSHIPS OF THE CRAFT

"From time to time the Grand Lodge of Scotland has deemed it desirable to set forth in precise form the aims of Freemasonry as consistently practiced under its jurisdiction since it came into being as an organized body in 1736, and also to define the principles governing its relations with those other Grand Lodges with which it is in fraternal accord.

"In view of representations which have been received, and of statements recently issued which have distorted or obscured the true objects of Freemasonry, it is once again considered necessary to emphasize certain fundamental principles of the Order.

"The first condition of admission into, and membership of, the Order is a belief in the Supreme Being. This is essential and admits of no compromise.

"The Bible, referred to by Freemasons as the Volume of the Sacred Law is always open in the Lodges. Every candidate is required to take his obligation on that Book, or on the Volume which is held by his particular Creed or impart sanctity to an oath or promise taken upon it.

"Everyone who enters Freemasonry is, at the outset, strictly forbidden to countenance any act which may have a tendency to subvert the peace and good order of society, he must pay due

obedience to the law of any State in which he resides or which may afford him protection, and he must never be remiss in the allegiance due to the Sovereign of his Native Land.

"While Scottish Freemasonry thus inculcates in each of its members the duties of loyalty and citizenship, it reserves to the individual the right to hold his own opinion with regard to public affairs. But neither in any Lodge nor at any time in his capacity as a Freemason is he permitted to discuss or to advance his views on theological or political questions.

"The Grand Lodge has always consistently refused to express any opinion on questions of foreign or domestic state policy either at home or abroad and it will not allow its name to be associated with any action, however humanitarian it may appear to be, which infringes its unalterable policy of standing aloof from every question affecting the relations between one Government and another, or between political parties or questions as to rival theories of government.

"The Grand Lodge is aware that there do exist bodies styling themselves Freemasons, which do not adhere to these principles, and while that attitude exists the Grand Lodge of Scotland refuses absolutely to have any relations with such bodies or to regard them as Freemasons.

"The Grand Lodge of Scotland is a sovereign and independent body practising Freemasonry only within the three Degrees and only within the limits defined in its Constitution. It does not recognize or admit the existence of any superior Masonic authority however styled.

"On more than one occasion the Grand Lodge has refused, and it will continue to refuse, to participate in conferences with so-called International Associations claiming to represent Freemasonry, which admit to membership bodies failing to conform strictly to the principles upon which the Grand Lodge of Scotland is founded. The Grand Lodge does not admit any such claim, nor can its views be represented by any such Association.

"There is no secret with regard to any of the basic principles of Freemasonry some of which have been stated above. The Grand Lodge will always consider the recognition of those Grand Lodges which profess and practise, and can show that they have consistently professed and practised, those established and unaltered principles, but in no circumstances will it enter into discussion with a view to any new or varied interpretation of them. They must be accepted and practised wholeheartedly and in their entirety by those who desire to be recognized as Freemasons by the Grand Lodge of Scotland."

The record is almost exclusively that of personal names with the pre and suffixing of honorary titles.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1938—

The half-yearly Communication was held at Adelaide, on October 20th, 1937, and the Annual Communication on April 20th, 1938.

The Board of General Purposes reported a decrease of 120 but the increase of the Initiation is the best for six years and distinctly shows an improvement for the period under review.

The Grand Master in his address referred to the Coronation of His Majesty, King George IV, who was initiated into Freemasonry in 1919 and served as Provincial Grand Master of Middlesex for thirteen years. As Duke of York, he was installed as Grand Master Mason of Scotland at the end of 1936, relinquishing both the offices when he ascended the Throne. He is also a Past Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England.

From the Grand Master's Address:

FESTIVE BOARD

"The Grand Master said there was another matter which he desired to mention but with some reluctance. It had reference to Proceedings at the Festive Board. On two occasions during the Grand Mastership of his predecessor, Lord Gowrie, then Sir Alexander Hore-Ruthven, had found it necessary to draw the attention of Grand Lodge to the impropriety of questionable stories and allusions by Brethren when proposing and responding to toasts. He (the Grand Master) had no doubt that Lord Gowrie's admonition and advice had had its effect at the time, but it seemed that of late there had been some recrudescence of suggestive anecdotes and allusions which ill became the dignity of the Order.

"A Lodge Secretary had complained recently that of six Worshipful Masters, who responded to a toast at a meeting of his Lodge, four of them overstepped the bounds of propriety. It,

therefore, became necessary to impress upon Worshipful Masters and Directors of Ceremonies that they should, without hesitation not only discourage such conduct, but should make every effort to check it. They had the power to do so, and should exercise it.

"When a Lodge ceased from labor and turned to refreshment the spirit of the proceedings should be in keeping with the dignity and solemnity of the Ritual. They should not put off their profession with their aprons. These offences against Masonic Propriety, he (the Grand Master) was sure, were due to want of thought. He hoped that it would be sufficient to call attention to the master.

"ADMISSION OF VISITORS

"Referring to the admission of visitors to Lodges the Grand Master said that it was hoped that the amendments to the Constitutions which they had confirmed in the Minutes that night, dealing with the responsibility of a Master, would, in due course, be effective in excluding all who were not entitled to the privilege. He had been given to understand that among the Lodges there had been a complete and gratifying unanimity of opinion as to the propriety of tightening up the regulations. A case had been reported to him of a Brother, who had been invited to attend an Installation ceremony in a distant part of the Jurisdiction, and had attended the meeting without his Grand Lodge Certificate, or voucher to show his good standing, or even an apron. Being interrogated, he protested that his ability to prove himself should suffice to procure his admission. He stated that he had never before been asked to produce his Certificate or to indentify his signature in the margin with that in the Attendance Book. He was refused admission, and departed in discontent at the rightful attitude of the Lodge.

"If these statements were accurate it was apparent that there was some slackness and for that reason the Board of General Purposes desired that Worshipful Masters should be fully alive to their responsibilities for proper instruction to the Brethren of the Lodge and for taking the necessary steps to give full effect to the intention of the new regulations."

The Grand Lecturer, V.W. Bro. Rev. Principal Kick, M.A., B.D., taking for his subject "Masonic Freedom," was very interesting.

Benevolence to the amount of £1,773 18s was distributed during the year 1937.

The Grand Master M.W. Bro. The Hon. Mr. Justice Napier was re-elected to that office for the ensuing year.

The Correspondence is written by the Grand Representatives, ours by Bro. Edgar J. Copping. The reviews are finely written.

SOUTH CAROLINA, 1938—

The 201st Annual Communication was held in Charleston, on March 9th, 1938.

Grand Master Going, in his address reports a year full of activity in promoting the cause of the Fraternity.

Two cornerstones were laid and one Lodge constituted also one Lodge dedicated.

The Grand Master found it possible during the year to visit many of the subordinate Lodges also attending 24 District Meetings.

He also reports harmony prevails throughout the Jurisdiction.

The present membership is 17,448.

Bro. Henry Collins submits the Correspondence Report, Manitoba being included.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1938—

The 64th Annual Communication was convened in Rapid City, on June 14th, 1938.

M.W. Herman F. Chapman, Grand Master presiding.

"FLAGS PRESENTED

"The Grand Standard Bearer presented the United States Flag which was placed in the East. He then retired and subsequently returned with the Canadian Ensign accompanied by M.W. Bro.

Harry Woods, Past Grand Master of Masons of Manitoba, who was introduced and after an exchange of courtesies said:

> 'This Canadian Ensign is a gift to the Grand Lodge of South Dakota from the Grand Master of Masons in Manitoba. When that flag takes its place opposite to that one; when it is standing side by side in perfect friendship; I want to say that is how the people of Canada love to see them. That is the way we do with them in every Grand Lodge that takes place in the Grand Jurisdiction of Manitoba. May I say again, and from the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, representing the esteem and friendship and, may I say, affection for the Brethren of South Dakota.'

"Robert S. Hill, Mayor of Rapid City, extended a very cordial welcome to the Grand Lodge which was responded to by Deputy Grand Haster, Wm. H. Hirsch."

The Grand Master's address is a thoughtful study of the many problems and issues which he had to consider.

His visits to the Lodges and districts throughout his Jurisdiction must be helpful and result in being beneficial to the Craft in general.

The Grand Secretary's returns show 175 Lodges and a membership of 15,141.

No reviews.

TASMANIA, 1939—

A special Communication was held on Sunday, January 15th, 1939, in Hobart.

Grand Master Dryden explained the meeting had been called for the purpose of Dedicating the new Masonic Temple in Hobart, erected by the Freemasons of the Southern Lodges. V.W. Bro. Canon C. W. Wilson delivered an Oration suitable to the occasion.

The Annual Communication was held at Launceston on February 18th, 1939, with Grand Master Dryden presiding; He also was installed for his third term of office.

There are 103 Lodges with a membership of 4,087, an increase of 46.

No reviews.

TENNESSEE, 1939—

The 125th Annual Communication was held in Nashville on January 25th, 1939.

Deputy Grand Master Lindsay B. Phillips presiding.

Seventeen Past Grand Masters were in attendance.

A number of distinguished visitors were introduced.

The Deputy Grand Master in his opening remarks referred feelingly to the late lamented Brother, M.W. Bro. Charles Harvey McKinney, Grand Master, who passed to the Great Beyond on August 24th, 1938. Prior to his death Grand Master McKinney had prepared a record of his activities as Grand Master. Six Lodges were consolidated and four cornerstones were laid. Twenty-four District and county meetings were held for contacting the Lodges, also visiting a number of Lodges.

This Grand Jurisdiction reports a total membership of 36,337 and 404 Lodges.

M.W. Bro. John T. Peeler, P.G.M., fraternally reviews Manitoba for 1938.

TEXAS, 1938—

The 103rd Annual Communication was convened on December 7th, 1938, in the City of Waco.

Manitoba's representative Bro. J. W. Pender being in attendance.

Grand Master Rice, in his well prepared address covers a busy year which has demanded from him the fullest measure of service.

Under the caption Physical Defects, 53 Dispensations were granted and 17 refused.

During the year Clandestine Mexican Lodges have continued to be a troublesome problem for the Grand Master:

"USE OF 'MASONRY'

"During the year, on different occasions, propositions have been submitted to me for permission to print magazines or other papers carrying Masonic articles where advertising was to be solicited for the purpose of getting out these editions and where profit would accrue from such advertising. In each and every instance I have declined to grant authority for these publications and have used the authority as the Grand Master to suppress in every way, such activities.

"There seems to be an increasing desire to use Masonry and its good name for every conceivable purpose, to form new organizations, societies, clubs and associations, all based on Blue Lodge membership; to use it for business purposes, in political campaigns, for insurance and benefit societies, and for advertising. All of these tend to lower the standards of Ancient Craft Masonry, and to make of it just another present-day organization.

"Why this persistent desire to attach and append to Masonry every imaginable and popular fad? There can be only one motive it appears, and that to obtain the benefit of the prestige of our fraternity.

"All of these undertakings may be worthwhile, but they should be organized and conducted on their peculiar merits, free from Masonic connection, and not endeavor to be classed as a Masonic appendage.

"Through the years, Grand Masters have been confronted with this situation. Our Grand Lodge proceedings reveal recommendation after recommendation, and action on all such procedure. A striking example is the report of the Jurisprudence Committee in 1922, and adoption by the Grand Lodge of its report which makes it a law, as follows:

> 'Apropos of another portion of the Grand Master's address we wish to remind the Brethren that Freemasonry is an exclusive organization, and, while neither

> approving nor condemning other organizations, the genius of the great Brotherhood would be destroyed if it permitted or countenanced any alliance or combination with any society whether political, social or religious. Any such alliance or combination with any such body, either expressed or implied would be subversible of our tenets and destructive of our institution. On the platform of exclusiveness or isolation from all other combinations of men, Freemasonry has weathered the storms of destruction and persecution and has lived through the untoward circumstances of many centuries, until its influence in this government, in the world probably exceeds that of any other organization, and let us now, not while the good ship is riding the waves of prosperity, permit any member of our crew to scuttle or disable it, but it is safe to say that the Lodge rooms have been thrown open to as many modern societies as they should be and a halt should be called to the growing tendencies to make Lodge rooms the rendezvous for different organizations, no matter how composed.'

"Surely we have reached the point where our laws should be amended to tighten on such activities and the use of our Masonic membership for forming such appendages. Only recently there appeared in a daily paper of one of the major cities of the State, a large advertisement displaying a picture, with a small description of a great Masonic edifice, entitled 'One of.....'s great Assets,' linked with and made a part of the advertisement. The rest of the advertisement was a description of 'Another of.....'s great Assets.' This business, according to Texas laws is legal, but certainly a business that should in no sense attach itself to our organization, or use pictures of our buildings in advertising, or be connected in any way with Masonry. In fact, such advertising should not have been used by any business concern. Masonry needs no such publicity, seeks no such publicity, and is not desirous of such publicity. Always it has handled its own affairs, and publicity of this character only complicates affairs of Lodges and Masonry, and creates unfavorable comment, not only from outsiders but among our members."

Past Grand Master W.M. Fly, presents the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence courteously reviews Manitoba.

UTAH, 1938—

The 67th Annual Communication was held in Salt Lake City, on September 26th, 1938.

Grand Master Joseph Granville Titley called the Brethren to order. Thirteen Past Grand Masters were present. The Grand Master delivered a splendid and comprehensive report of his duties during his term of office.

He is pleased to report that Utah Freemasonry is in a very encouraging condition and that the spirit of harmony and concord prevails.

The Grand Master was able to visit each of the Constituent Lodges during his term.

From his "Decisions and Rulings" the following are culled:

"Question: If a man who has his arm off at the shoulder is eligible to make application for the degrees.

Such a man is not eligible; he could not 'conform substantially to the forms and ceremonies of Masonry.' Section 111, Sixth Par. G. L. Code."

"Question: How to clear Lodge records in case of a Lodge member who was reported 'missing and believed dead.' His automobile, some of his belongings and money were found on the banks of the Missouri River, near Omaha, Nebraska. It is thought that the brother was drowned, though his body has not yet been found. This event occurred in June, 1937.

The Grand Master would give no decision on this case, pointing out that same was a matter for the Master of the Lodge to determine. The Grand Master could not, obviously, decide the Brother was dead. Suggested that the Lodge act not too hastily in declaring the Brother dead when no actual proof was present, particularly as it was learned the Brother's relatives were bringing suit against the Insurance Companies, the result of which suit might better enable Lodge to take safe and proper action. Suggested further, that little would be lost, beyond payment of Grand Lodge dues by allowing matter to rest for at least one year."

"Came to attention of Grand Master that a Master Mason, a member of one of our Utah Lodges, was using the Masonic Emblem, i.e. Square and Compass, upon his business checks. Ordered Member to cease this practice, which conflicts with Section 106 of Code. Member advised he had used the emblem in ignorance of the Code."

"Question: The widow of a Mason re-marries—this time to one who is not a Mason and who later divorces her. Is she entitled to Masonic Relief?

Ruled that when the woman re-married she forfeited any rights she might have had previously as a Masonic widow; she is no longer a Masonic widow."

"Question: Are the children by the above mentioned first husband (a Mason), entitled to Masonic Relief?

Ruled that the minor children of the first husband (a Mason) are entitled to Masonic Relief."

In the matter of charity disbursements by the Lodges the total amount was $6,026.56.

The report of the Committee on Masonic Education and Instruction shows that they have been energetic in their duties and are looking forward to improvement as time goes on. Past Grand Master Sam H. Goodwin, Grand Secretary, furnishes his usual interesting and well written report on Foreign Correspondence, Manitoba for 1937 receiving careful attention.

VERMONT, 1938—

The M.W. the Grand Lodge of Vermont held its 145th Annual Communication in the City of Burlington, on June 15th, 1938, with M.W. Bro. William J. Ballou, Grand Master, presiding in the Grand East.

Many distinguished Brethren graced the proceedings. The address of the Grand Master is an account of his stewardship, giving freely of his time in carrying out his many duties. Two Lodges were dedicated during the year. He also attended the Grand Lodge of Maine in Portland on the morning of May 3rd. About noon he was excused, took an aeroplane and flew 350 miles in 150 minutes including a stop at Boston and Hartford, and attended the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New York in the afternoon.

The Grand Secretary reports 103 Lodges with a membership of 16,900 with a net loss of 171. The reports of the various Committees would indicate that they had very little

work to do, thus suggesting that Conditions in Vermont are following the even tenor of their ways.

M.W. Bro. Archie S. Harriman, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, once again presents the reports of the Foreign Correspondence and has taken the trouble to index the various subjects contained in the proceedings reviewed. Manitoba received very generous treatment.

VICTORIA (Australia), 1938—

A Quarterly Communication was held in St. Kilda, on March 17th, 1938, with M.W. Bro. His Excellency Lord Huntingfield, K.C.M.G., Grand Master, presiding.

Manitoba being represented by V.W. Bro. E. J. Carter, P.P.B.B.

Several promotions were made and Past Ranks confirmed.

Two scholarships awarded from their King Edward VII Memorial Scholarship, 182 candidates presenting themselves for examination.

The Grand Secretary reports six new Lodges constituted one new Temple was dedicated and a gain of 473 members. There is a total membership of 50,157.

They have nine sets of Travelling Libraries which are in constant circulation.

The last Quarterly held on December 15th, 1937, in Melbourne.

His Excellency Lord Huntingfield was again nominated as Grand Master.

The Foreign Correspondence is by the Grand Representative, each reporting for the Grand Jurisdiction which he represents. In each case the reviews are excellent.

A Quarterly Communication was held at Melbourne, on March 16th, with the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. His Excellency Lord Huntingfield presiding.

M.W. Bro. W. Warren Kerr, Pro Grand Master, presided at the Quarterly Communication held on June 15th, September 21st, and December 21st, all held at Melbourne.

Manitoba's representative V.W. Bro. E. J. Carter, being in attendance. There are 515 Lodges with 51,174 members.

From the Grand Master's address we find that since the Grand Lodge was founded 49 years ago no less a sum than £120,000 has been expended by the Benevolent Fund.

Considerable discussion took place on the proposed change in color of the Grand Steward's collars to garter blue ribbon, four inches wide, also on the proposal to delete the words "Totally blind" in the Book of Constitutions.

The Board of General Purposes issued the following circular:

"The attention of the Board has been directed to the fact that Lodges, other than those restricted to Returned Soldiers, are carrying out the ceremony of the Vacant Chair, which has been adopted by Returned Soldiers' Lodges. The Board therefore requests such Lodges, as a matter of good taste, to refrain from such ceremonial, which should be restricted to Returned Soldiers' Lodges. Circular No. 71 was issued to this effect in September, 1933."

Bro. William Stewart submitted the Report on Foreign Correspondence in which the Proceedings of Manitoba was included.

VIRGINIA, 1938—

The 160th Annual Communication was held in the City of Richmond, on February 8th, 1938. M.W. Bro. C. Vernon Eddy, Grand Master, presiding.

The M.W. Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form after prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

Manitoba was represented by M.W. Bro. Lynwood P. Harrell, P.G.M.

The Grand Master was unable to accept all the invitations received but managed to make 63 visits during the year.

Consolidation of 8 Lodges was approved, also a large number of dispensations granted during the year.

The Grand Master recommends the appointment of a Committee on Art, to approve of pictures or portraits to be hung in the Grand Lodge rooms. M.W. Bro. Melvin M. Johnston, P.G.M., of Massachusetts gave a very interesting talk on Masonry as he had found it in various foreign countries which he had visited.

The Committee on Masonic Home report that during the year Home aid was rendered to 35 children, at a cost of $3,565.00 being a per capita cost of slightly in excess of $100.00.

The reports of the D.D.G.M.'s make very interesting reading, peace and harmony prevailing. This is one of the jurisdictions, evidently, where the Grand Master appoints the D.D.G.M.'s with which the reviewer agrees.

There are 333 Lodges with a membership of 39,363.

The review is from the pen of Bro. James M. Clift, with Manitoba coming under review.

WASHINGTON, 1938—

The Volume of Proceedings for 1938 is bound in beautiful blue and Grand Master Frank L. Poole greets us as we open its pages and a biographical sketch of R.W. Bro. W. Harvey,

D.D.G.M. The 81st Annual Communication was held at Walla Walla, on June 21st, 1938.

The Grand Master's address shows that he has been devoted to the cause of Masonry and gives a thoughtful and painstaking report of his activities for the year. A considerable time was spent visiting the Lodges in Alaska. Four cornerstones were laid during the year.

The lottery evil is evidently causing some concern in Washington but the Grand Master appears to have the right idea of keeping the Craft free of this form of gambling.

The Grand Secretary reports the total Masonic Home Fund $755,539.44 and the Home Endowment Fund to be $65,440.45.

The total membership of Grand Lodge being 40,436 Master Masons with 261 Chartered Lodges, and one under Dispensation.

The following are culled from the cumulative report of the Code Commission for the information of our readers:

"If the Grand Master shall at any time determine that a change in the districting of the Lodges will facilitate the operation of the system he shall have authority to make such re-arrangement of the districts as he may deem advisable and may withdraw a Lodge from any district and assign the same to another district, which re-arrangement shall be effective until the next Annual Communication, when the Grand Master shall report his action to the Grand Lodge for its approval. (1935, XXIX, 135; Certain Lodges transferred by G. M. Approved, 1936, XXIX, 402, 445; 1937, XXX, 29, 99; 1938, XXX, 426, 463.)

"Section 406. District Deputy Grand Master. Appointment. Jurisdiction. The Grand Master shall appoint at each Annual Communication or as soon thereafter as possible thirty District Deputy Grand Masters, one of whom he shall assign to each district; each District Deputy Grand Master shall receive a warrant for his appointment signed by the Grand Master and attested by the Grand Secretary under the seal of the Grand Lodge and his jurisdiction shall extend only to the jurisdiction of the Lodges within the district to which he is assigned and he shall hold office until his successor is appointed and installed. (1934, XXVIII, 464-470, as amended 1937, XXX, 121.)"

M.W. Bro. Arthur W. Davis, P.G.M., submitted his review of 65 proceedings of Grand Lodges. His reviews are readable and virile. Our Proceedings for 1937 is reviewed in a careful manner.

WEST VIRGINIA, 1938—

The 74th Annual Communication was convened in Fairmont, on October 12th, 1938.

M.W. Bro. Herschell H. Rose, Grand Master, presiding. He reports in his message that all is well with the Brethren of West Virginia, having made many visits to subordinate Lodges, schools of instruction, also opened Grand Lodge on nine occasions in special Communication. He also modestly mentions the occasion when he presided at the conferring of the Master Mason Degree on his only son. He objects to certain emblems of non-Masonic organizations to which they have been permitted the use of the Lodge rooms, and thinks they should be removed when the Masonic Lodge is at Work.

The membership of this jurisdiction is reported to be 29,558 with a decrease of 146, and 165 Lodges.

Grand Master Rose presented a paper on the "Incorporation of Grand Lodges," at the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons at Washington, D.C., February 23rd, 1938, this is an excellent paper and gives one something to think about.

M.W. Bro. Lewis N. Tavenner, P.G.M., and Foreign Correspondent, remembers Manitoba in his reviews.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, 1938—

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia was held at Perth, on May 26th, 1938. M.W. Bro. Dr. J. S. Batty, Grand Master.

At the Quarterly Communication held at Boulder, on August 26th, 1937, the Grand Master had quite a lot to say to the Brethren regarding the Widows, Orphans and Aged Freemasons' Fund and his remarks on this subject, no doubt would apply elsewhere.

Another Quarterly Communication held at Perth, February 24th, 1938, the following is culled from the remarks of the Grand Master:

"FESTIVE BOARDS

"After labour comes refreshment and invariably such is within the bounds of propriety. Unfortunately, however, there is a tendency for many lodges to continue proceedings long after the singing of the National Anthem, and frequently well past midnight. Instances are not unknown where an adjournment is made elsewhere and festivities continued indefinitely. Most members of the Craft are married, and such practices are scarcely fair to their wives or families. Conduct of this nature is not in the best interests of the Craft and cannot help being viewed by outsiders with the gravest disapproval. The festive board must be closed after the singing of the National Anthem. On the question of harmony, at times the items given are scarcely in keeping with the dignity of a Freemason. The responsibility for decorum, whilst a lodge is in session and at the festive board, falls solely on the Worshipful Master, and he has ample powers to curb any unseemliness. There is no excuse for failure to keep the festive board within due bounds.

In his Annual Reports he states:

"Although world affairs are still greatly disturbed and strife and oppression are still rearing their ugly heads in many countries, we in Australia, are fortunately free from internal troubles. So far as the Craft in Australia is concerned and especially our own section in this State, the greatest of harmony prevails, which shows perhaps that Freemasonry has a steadying influence upon us all.

"GRAND LODGE OF VIENNA

"At the last Communication Grand Lodge approved of recognition being granted to the Grand Lodge of Vienna. Very soon afterwards political changes occurred and Austria became incorporated in the German Reich. As a result the Dictator's ban upon Freemasonry in Germany was extended to Austria. Masonic proceedings were prohibited and the Grand Lodge offices were subjected to rigorous investigation. Fortunately the notification

of recognition had not gone forward and it cannot do so now. For the time the matter must remain in abeyance, but all the same we can continue to wish our Brethren a happy issue out of their misfortunes, and hope for the time to come when sanity will return to governments and freedom to think will no longer be regarded as a crime."

At the presentation of Representatives from Sister Grand Lodges, Manitoba was represented by W. Bro. A. G. Stiles, P.D.G.P.

M.W. Bro. Dr. James Sykes Batty was elected and duly proclaimed as Grand Master for another term. R.W. Bro. James W. E. Archdeacon presents the report and reviews of Sister Jurisdictions. His foreword and reviews present an interesting and at times humorous account of what is going on in other jurisdictions, and on the whole makes delightful reading.

Manitoba is given a generous amount of space and comment. You are correct, Bro. Archdeacon, in assuming that the exigencies of space render lengthier notices inadvisable, also having to guard the "Baw Bees." Coming from North of the Tweed modesty forbids commenting on the remainder of your remarks on my efforts at reviewing.

WISCONSIN, 1938—

The 94th Annual Communication was held in Milwaukee, beginning June 14th, 1938.

All the Grand Officers were there and a number of distinguished guests were received.

There were 16 Past Grand Masters, among whom was M.W. Bro. Charles F. Lamb, P.G.M., representing Manitoba.

Four Emergent Communications were held, two to lay cornerstones, and two for the purpose of dedicating Masonic Temples. This savors of an uptrend in Masonic prosperity.

Twenty-three special dispensations were issued for which the amount of $65.00 was received. Grand Master Maxwell Jenks reports having travelled 28,000 miles covering every section of the state, and also arranged and attended 19 group meetings, also visitations elsewhere.

We also notice that the Grand Lodge was called on for the purpose of receiving the Grand Matron of the Order of Eastern Star and makes one wonder where this idea originated and why it is done, as it seems strange to us up here.

The Grand Secretary reports 311 Lodges with a total membership of 52,360.

It is also noticed that the Charity Fund received $5,236.00 derived from a charge of 10 cents per member, an amount worth going after.

M.W. Bro. Frank Jenks, P.G.M. (a brother of the retiring Grand Master), presents fine reviews of many Grand Jurisdictions including Manitoba.

WYOMING, 1938—

The 64th Annual Communication was held in Rawlins, on August 22nd, 1938.

M.W. Bro. Warner B. Jones, Grand Master, presiding. All the Grand Officers were present, also 18 Past Grand Masters. Several distinguished visitors were introduced and welcomed by the Grand Master.

The Grand Master reports Masonry in Wyoming is progressing rapidly. Not a single discordant note has reached the ear of either the Grand Secretary or himself throughout the Jurisdiction.

Four cornerstones were laid and two Lodges instituted, also a number of dispensations were granted for various

purposes. Many visitations were made and on three occasions he was forced to turn back because of weather conditions.

The Grand Secretary reports 50 Lodges with total membership of 7,820.

Their veteran Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Joseph M. Lowndes, presents a comprehensive report. Manitoba being fraternally reviewed.

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Grand Lodge

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Minutes of a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., held in the Town of Flin Flon, Province of Manitoba on Tuesday the 12th day of September, A.D. 1939, at 2.30 in the afternoon.

PRESENT

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25) . . . . . Grand Master, Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Wm. Dougles (4) . . as Deputy Grand Master, Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant (3) . . . . . as Senior Grand Warden, Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11) . . . . Junior Grand Warden, Gladstone
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114) . . . . . Grand Secretary, Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130) . . . . . as Grand Chaplain, Winnipeg
W. Bro. G. M. Coghill (124) . . as Senior Grand Deacon, The Pas
W. Bro. R. B. Hagarty (124) . . as Junior Grand Deacon, The Pas
W. Bro. C. W. McLeod (124), as Senior Grand Steward, The Pas
W. Bro. S. P. Lowe (153) . . as Junior Grand Steward, Flin Flon
V.W. Bro. H. Moody (2) . . . . . as Grand Tyler, Selkirk

Bro. D. M. McRae (4)
R.W. Bro. W. M. Jackson (11)
W. Bro. C. W. McLaughlin (11)
W. Bro. W. G. Fraser (24)
Bro. D. Robertson (94)
Bro. F. Blackburn (106)
W. Bro. D. A. Ross (124)
Bro. W. Houster (124)
Bro. O. H. Lamont (124)
Bro. J. A. McDonald (124)
Bro. J. R. Pipes (124)
Bro. R. C. Robertson (124)
R.W. Bro. C. C. Setterington (153)
W. Bro. G. F. Cross (153)
W. Bro. E. E. Foster (153)
W. Bro. B. Longmore (153)

W. Bro. R. W. Maguire (153)
W. Bro. G. W. Warey (153)
W. Bro. A. Young (153)
Bro. J. M. Allen (153)
Bro. Sam Bradley (153)
Bro. W. W. Burnett (153)
Bro. A. Chapman (153)
Bro. F. M. Duncan (153)
Bro. S. B. Hudson (153)
Bro. P. B. Mann (153)
Bro. O. B. McNeil (153)
Bro. R. H. Moore (153)
Bro. H. Nelson (153)
Bro. J. Pieper (153)
Bro. J. A. Snelgrove (153)
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Bro. R. S. Jansen
Bro. R. Lawton
Bro. B. Morrison (G.R.S.)
Bro. G. Stephen
Bro. T. Tanton
Bro. Bert West

GRAND LODGE OPENED

The Grand Lodge was opened in due form at 2.30 p.m. by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Bro. William D. Lawrence, who explained that this Special Communication had been convened in order to lay the Corner Stone of the New Masonic Hall erected in Flin Flon.

The Grand Lodge was called off and a procession formed under the direction of M. W. Bro. Harry Woods, who acted as the Grand Director of Ceremonies, and marched to the site in the prescribed order, headed by W. Bro. George W. Warey carrying the Union Jack. They took their position at the corner of the building where the ceremony was to take place.

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master explained to those present the object of this Masonic Gathering. The Grand Chaplain then offered prayer.

The Grand Secretary read the following Scroll and list of contents deposited in the copper box:

THE HISTORIC SCROLL

IN THE NAME OF AND BY THE FAVOR OF THE GREAT ARCHITECT OF HEAVEN AND EARTH ON THE 12th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A.L. 5939, A.D. 1939, and in the Second year of the reign of our Most Excellent Majesty.

GEORGE VI

by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

His Excellency, the Right Honourable Earl of Tweedsmuir, being Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada.

The Right Honourable William Lyon McKenzie-King, being Premier of the Dominion of Canada.

The Honourable W. J. Tupper, being Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba.

His Worship, Peter McSheffery, being Mayor of the Town of Flin Flon.

The Most Worshipful William David Lawrence, being Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

The Right Worshipful John James Henderson, being Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

The Right Worshipful Reverend George R. Calvert, being

Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

The Right Worshipful Stanley H. Fahrni, being Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

The Right Worshipful Alex. Burgess, being Grand Treasurer of Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

The Right Worshipful J. H. G. Russell, being Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

The Right Worshipful Reverend Peter Pilkey, being Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

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Copy of the "Winnipeg Tribune" dated September 11th, 1939.

Copy of the "Winnipeg Free Press" dated September 11th, 1939.

Coins of the Realm.

The Grand Secretary then deposited the box containing the Scroll, coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity of the stone.

The Corner Stone of the Masonic Hall in the Town of Flin Flon was laid by Most Worshipful Bro. William D. Lawrence, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, according to the rules

and usages of our Ancient Craft, which may the Great Architect of the Universe ever bless and prosper.

The Deputy Grand Master, Grand Senior Warden and Grand Junior Warden applied the implements of their office to the stone after it had been placed in position and announced that the Craftsmen had done their duty.

After the Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Wardens had poured out the corn, wine and oil, the Most Worshipful the Grand Master consecrated the stone, pronouncing it correctly laid according to the rules and usages of our Ancient Craft and may the blessing of Almighty God rest upon this undertaking.

PROCLAMATION

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, as Grand Director of Ceremonies proclaimed that the Corner Stone of the structure here erected had been proved secure, level and plumb, true and trusty and laid according to the rules of our Ancient Craft by the Grand Master.

ORATION

M.W. Bro. William Douglas, P.G.M., gave a very suitable and appropriate Address, after which the Grand Chaplain pronounced the Benediction.

The Procession reformed, returning to the meeting place, where the Grand Lodge was closed in due form with prayer by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, acting Grand Chaplain.

PRESENTATION

Following the Ceremony of the laying of the Corner Stone a meeting of Flin Flon Lodge was held in the evening, at which the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, William

D. Lawrence, was presented with a silver trowel by W. Bro. E. E. Foster, Master of Flin Flon Lodge No. 153, in commemoration of the laying of the Corner Stone of their Masonic Hall.

J. H. G. Russell

Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

The Sixty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons was convened in the Fort Garry Hotel, in the City of Winnipeg, Province of Manitoba, at the hour of 8.10 p.m., on Wednesday, June 5th, 1940, A.L. 5940.

PRESENT

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25), Winnipeg .....Grand Master
R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102),Shoal Lake,Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Rev. G. R. Calvert (1),Winnipeg Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), Gladstone....Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3),Winnipeg.....Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), Winnipeg.....Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey (25), Winnipeg.....Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), Winnipeg.....Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer (10), Winnipeg.....G. D. of Ceremonies
R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset (2), Selkirk.....Grand Librarian
V.W. Bro. Wm. J. Edwards (25), Winnipeg..Senior Grand Deacon
R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood (144), Winnipeg...as Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. James Cavers (3), Winnipeg....Senior Grand Steward
W. Bro.J.Morgan Davies(25),Winnipeg as Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon (130), Winnipeg.....Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. Wm. G. Corbett (12), Stonewall.....Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. C. J. Nicholson (131), Winnipeg.....Grand Tyler

R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant (3),
Winnipeg .....D.D.G.M. 1st Masonic District
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Gladstone .....D.D.G.M. 2nd Masonic District
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Boissevain ..... D.D.G.M. 4th Masonic District
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Birtle ..... D.D.G.M. 5th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. W. J. Cobb (54),
Melita ..... D.D.G.M. 6th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Arthur Cooper (44),
Oak Lake ..... D.D.G.M. 7th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. A. McVicar (120),
Arnaud ..... D.D.G.M. 8th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. W. J. Rodgers (128),
Durban ..... D.D.G.M. 9th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Dr. M. MacKay (123),
Transcona ..... D.D.G.M. 10th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood (144),
Winnipeg ..... D.D.G.M. 12th Masonic District

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M.W. Bro. H. E. Bletcher (1)
M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3)
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)
M.W. Bro. Jas. Mackie (4)
M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin (10)
M.W. Bro. W. J. Major (25)
M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller (25)
M.W. Bro. Geo. Hunter (40)
M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing (51)
M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins (68)
M.W. Bro. Dr. D. S. Woods (90)
M.W. Bro. Wm. Fenwick (113)
M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt (130)
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (134)
M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd (140)

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Bro. W. A. McKnight . . . J.W.

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M.W. Bro. H. E. Bletcher
R.W. Bro. Rev. G. R. Calvert
R.W. Bro. C. C. Lindsay
R.W. Bro. Rev. Thos. Neville
R.W. Bro. G. G. Teeter
V.W. Bro. John McRae
W. Bro. Alex. Adams
W. Bro. F. W. Broderick
W. Bro. E. R. Chapman
W. Bro. Harry Coddington

W. Bro. J. T. Corrie
W. Bro. Syd. Long
W. Bro. M. M. McElheran
W. Bro. J. D. McKinlay
W. Bro. E. R. A. Stevenson
W. Bro. J. G. Whitehead
W. Bro. W. Youngman

LISGAR LODGE NO. 2:

Bro. R. M. Muckle....W.M. — R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset
V.W. Bro. W. H. Shead

ANCIENT LANDMARK LODGE NO. 3:

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Bro. P. G. Hawkins....S.W. — R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess
Bro. C. J. Last.....J.W. — R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant
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V.W. Bro. J. Cavers
W. Bro. W. F. Hutton
W. Bro. H. A. Innes
W. Bro. J. C. Irvine
W. Bro. T. C. Jackson
W. Bro. A. Lawson

ST. JOHN'S LODGE NO. 4:

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V.W. Bro. W. A. Mann
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W. Bro. Wm. Carr
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W. Bro. E. L. Jukes
W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
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V.W. Bro. W. Percy White

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W. Bro. F. J. McConaghy

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R.W. Bro. C. E. Cole
R.W. Bro. W. R. Grieve
W. Bro. J. McKenzie
W. Bro. R. A. Price
W. Bro. S. H. Prowse
W. Bro. J. H. Reynolds

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R.W. Bro. Wm. Moore
W. Bro. L. G. Breyfogle
W. Bro. S. S. Wilton

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Bro. K. M. Johnson....W.M.
Bro. J. T. Norquay....S.W.
Bro. A. J. Muir.....J.W.

M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin
R.W. Bro. J. L. Lawson
R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer
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W. Bro. R. W. Campbell
W. Bro. A. W. Glover
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W. Bro. D. A. Ross
W. Bro. C. E. Tate
W. Bro. W. W. Wright

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W. Bro. E. J. Cresswell
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Bro. H. A. Good.....W.M.
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W. Bro. Henry Inman
W. Bro. R. A. McQuarrie
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CORINTHIAN LODGE NO. 15:

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Bro. P. J. Beaubier....J.W.

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M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
M.W. Bro. W. J. Major
M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller
R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey
R.W. Bro. H. T. Waters
V.W. Bro. W. J. Edwards
W. Bro. M. Cobban
W. Bro. J. Morgan Davies
W. Bro. R. Ernest Evans
W. Bro. G. E. Lang
W. Bro. H. R. M. Thompson

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Bro. J. B. Mitchell.....S.W.

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W. Bro. A. C. Palmer

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Bro. H. B. Bradley.....S.W.
Bro. B. L. Jelly.....J.W.

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W. Bro. R. J. McKenzie
W. Bro. H. J. Philipps
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Bro. Ross Brown. . . . . S.W.
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Bro. W. G. Ballard. . . . . S.W.

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R.W. Bro. T. R. Falconer
R.W. Bro. M. S. Watson
W. Bro. Fred Ford
W. Bro. C. H. Main

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Bro. G. S. Moir. . . . . W.M.

R.W. Bro. W. L. Cann
W. Bro. W. L. Dutton
W. Bro. E. B. Homuth
W. Bro. Dr. O. S. Ross
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OAK LAKE LODGE NO. 44:

Bro. J. C. Allen. . . . . S.W.

R.W. Bro. A. Cooper
R.W. Bro. P. W. Paul
W. Bro. J. L. Baillie

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Bro. W. H. Nevill. . . . . W.M.

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V.W. Bro. T. C. Wallis
W. Bro. H. S. Josephson

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W. Bro. D. S. Naylor

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W. Bro. J. E. Harrison

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R.W. Bro. J. Coulter
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W. Bro. V. C. Farrow
W. Bro. Thos. Loucks
W. Bro. H. P. Musson
W. Bro. H. L. Morrow
W. Bro. R. H. Shearer
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R.W. Bro. E. A. Fletcher
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W. Bro. I. Coblentz
W. Bro. W. Coblentz
W. Bro. J. P. Loewen
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HOLLAND LODGE NO. 63:

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Bro. S. Kliman . . . . . S.W.

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W. Bro. H. M. MacKay
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W. Bro. F. W. Jones
W. Bro. A. Kelly
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W. Bro. J. A. Macartney
W. Bro. J. Morrison

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Bro. S. E. Gibbs.....S.W.

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W. Bro. D. A. Campbell
W. Bro. G. R. Hay
W. Bro. R. J. Wallace
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Bro. A. D. Pue.....W.M.
W. Bro. O. T. Bugg
Bro. W. H. Kruger.....J.W.

CYPRESS LODGE NO. 82:

Bro J. L. Christie.....W.M.
R.W. Bro. Wm. Porter

HAMIOTA LODGE NO. 84:

Bro. E. P. Venables...W.M.

EIGIN LODGE NO. 86:

Bro. W. L. George....W.M.
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W. Bro. A. A. Dashney
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Bro. S. J. Orrock.....W.M.

MIDLOTHIAN LODGE NO. 90:

Bro. A. C. Orchard....S.W.
M.W. Bro. Dr. D. S. Woods
R.W. Bro. W. N. Cameron

SHOAL LAKE LODGE NO. 92:

Bro. W. H. Loney.....W.M.
R.W. Bro. J. R. Stalker
Bro. D. J. Lawson.....J.W.
W. Bro. C. H. Bayfield
W. Bro. E. B. Montgomery
W. Bro. Dr. H. H. Smith

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Bro. Wm. Worton.....W.M.
R.W. Bro. J. F. Dart
Bro. J. J. Bannerman...S.W.
R.W. Bro. Dan McLean
Bro. Fred H. Blyth....J.W.
W. Bro. F. Appleby
W. Bro. F. N. Baxter

W. Bro. H. D. Campbell
W. Bro. J. R. Fraser
W. Bro. E. L. J. Fuller
W. Bro. R. A. Gillespie
W. Bro. R. C. Grisdale
W. Bro. A. N. M. Harrison
W. Bro. C. E. James
W. Bro. W. G. Mackie
W. Bro. L. N. McMullen
W. Bro. W. H. McPherson
W. Bro. W. J. Palmer
W. Bro. S. A. Restall
W. Bro. E. I. Waller
W. Bro. F. Williamson
W. Bro. E. A. Wood

HIRAM LODGE NO. 94:

Bro. Wm. Dawson....W.M. W. Bro. H. A. Linn
Bro. W. J. Swain.....S.W.

BINSCARTH LODGE NO. 101:

Bro. Bert Cockburn...W.M.

MINIOTA LODGE NO. 102:

Bro. W. H. P. Wallace.W.M. R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson
Bro. T. L. Jasper.....S.W. R.W. Bro. Robert Peel
W. Bro. W. D. Berwick
W. Bro. R. Rollins
W. Bro. W. A. Shean

CRESCENT LODGE NO. 103:

Bro. R. H. Wood.....W.M. W. Bro. H. R. Bewes
W. Bro. W. H. Mills

RESTON LODGE NO. 104:

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W. Bro. W. T. Ballance

PRINCE ARTHUR LODGE NO. 105:

Bro. S. P. Bielby.....W.M.

STRATHCLAIR LODGE NO. 106:

Bro. Geo. Henderson..W.M. W. Bro. H. W. Clark
Bro. T. W. McLean....S.W. W. Bro. S. G. Sinclair

LANSDOWNE LODGE NO. 107:

Bro. R. Young.....W.M. R.W. Bro. F. K. Purdie

UNION LODGE NO. 108:

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W. Bro. D. M. Craig
W. Bro. E. A. Newcomb

SWAN LAKE LODGE NO. 109:

Bro. Fred Hedley.....W.M.
Bro. T. Reekie.....S.W.

R.W. Bro. G. O. Couch
W. Bro. O. W. Couch

KILWINNING LODGE NO. 110:

Bro. J. C. White.....S.W.

W. Bro. E. V. Sands

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Bro. A. Kimberley....W.M.
Bro. C. C. J. Sanderson.S.W.
Bro. W. F. Somerville..J.W.

R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter
W. Bro. I. G. Arnason
W. Bro. T. S. Copland
W. Bro. Chas. Ross
W. Bro. A. Russell
W. Bro. C. A. Wyatt

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W. Bro. J. R. Watson
W. Bro. A. Waddell

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Bro. H. M. Gibson.....S.W.
Bro. Erdman Braun....J.W.

M.W. Bro. Wm. Fenwick
R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
R.W. Bro. J. R. Evans
R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr
W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick

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Bro. J. F. T. Young....S.W.

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V.W. Bro. G. G. White
W. Bro. W. S. Archibald
W. Bro. A. E. Boyle
W. Bro. N. M. Hall
W. Bro. A. E. Johnston
W. Bro. W. B. Johnston
W. Bro. O. E. MacQuoid
W. Bro. John M. Mahood

RIVERS LODGE NO. 115:

Bro. R. W. Sargent....W.M

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	W. Bro. J. H. Caldwell
	W. Bro. S. L. Reidle
	W. Bro. E. A. Strain
	W. Bro. H. G. Turner
	W. Bro. G. W. Wells
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Bro. A. M. Reid . . . . . S.W.	W. Bro. D. N. Campbell
Bro. N. T. E. Madsen . . . J.W.	W. Bro. D. MacDonald

MOUND LODGE NO. 118:

Bro. W. T. Frith . . . . . W.M.	W. Bro. M. A. Boote
Bro. J. D. Hetherington . J.W.	W. Bro. H. I. Frith

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Bro. Thos. Dougall . . . . W.M.	R.W. Bro. W. J. Wilson
Bro. J. H. Gibson . . . . . S.W.	V.W. Bro. S. C. Taylor
Bro. F. McKenzie . . . . . J.W.	W. Bro. W. J. Besant
	W. Bro. J. V. Dillabough
	W. Bro. M. MacKenzie
	W. Bro. N. McDonald

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Bro. Hector Spence . . . . W.M.	R.W. Bro. J. A. McVicar
Bro. L. Andrew . . . . . S.W.	W. Bro. A. S. Calder

ST. JAMES LODGE NO. 121:

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Bro. Jas. F. Holmes . . . . S.W.	W. Bro. J. C. McCallum
	W. Bro. E. S. Reeves
	W. Bro. R. Wood

TRANSCONA LODGE NO. 123:

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Bro. J. B. Brooks . . . . . J.W.	W. Bro. J. M. Fowlis
	W. Bro. H. J. Thompson

THE PAS LODGE NO. 124:

Bro. L. Williamson . . . . W.M.	W. Bro. R. B. Hagarty

PATRICIA LODGE NO. 125:

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Bro. N. F. Stubbs . . . . . S.W.	W. Bro. J. H. Geiss

W. Bro. J. L. Hamilton
W. Bro. Paul R Jeske
W. Bro. R. Nichol
W. Bro. L. C. Welsh

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Bro. Alex. Sinclair....W.M.
Bro. Jas. Wardrope....S.W.
Bro. O. W. Crowther...J.W.
W. Bro. A. D. Adamson
W. Bro. J. C. McIntosh

VICTORY LODGE NO. 128:

Bro. R. A. Hanley.....W.M.
Bro. H. S. Tax.....S.W.
R.W. Bro. D. Hawe
R.W. Bro. W. J. Rogers

FORT GARRY LODGE NO. 130:

Bro. G. P. Fairbairn...W.M.
Bro. E. R. Siddall.....S.W.
Bro. Thos. Gilchrist....J.W.
M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt
R.W. Bro. Wm. McLellan
W. Bro. Albert Adams
W. Bro. A. E. Duff
W. Bro. John Gordon
W. Bro. J. L. G. Hay
W. Bro. Norman Jones
W. Bro. J. S. Miller
W. Bro. C. C. Murphy
V.W. Bro. Alf. Phillips
W. Bro. F. K. Wilson

KILDONAN LODGE NO. 131:

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Bro. Ed. B. Brown....S.W.
Bro. A. E. Love.....J.W.
V.W. Bro. C. J. Nicholson
W. Bro. L. G. Barnes
W. Bro. J. W. Battershill
W. Bro. Wm. R. Morrison
W. Bro. H. Wilson

SPRAGUE LODGE NO. 132:

W. Bro. Thos. McCarthy

McCREARY LODGE NO. 133:

Bro. B. Angus.....W.M.
Bro. L. P. Baker.....S.W.
R.W. Bro. T. L. Bishop
W. Bro. T. E. Squire

STONY MOUNTAIN LODGE NO. 134:

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Bro. C. A. Reed.....S.W.
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods
R.W. Bro. W. H. French
R.W. Bro. J. S. Wilson
W. Bro. Thos. Clayton
W. Bro. W. G. Robertson

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Bro. W. J. Law.....S.W.
Bro. J. T. Holland.....J.W.

W. Bro. H. W. Cooper
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W. Bro. Geo. Newman
W. Bro. H. A. Pascoe
W. Bro. W. Paterson

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Bro. H. D. James.....J.W.

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W. Bro. R. A. Bruce
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Bro. Dave Griffith.....W.M.
Bro. J. L. Strachan....S.W.

R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
V.W. Bro. Geo. Tait
W. Bro. T. C. Forbes
W. Bro. A. J. Horton
W. Bro. Jas. Scott
W. Bro. E. Wallace

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Bro. Ivan Deacon.....J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. S. Miller
W. Bro. F. H. Herbert
W. Bro. W. Lawson
W. Bro. M. MacLean
W. Bro. W. Nason
W. Bro. S. W. Robertson
W. Bro. A. Wharton

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W. Bro. E. H. Crawford
W. Bro. D. A. King
W. Bro. L. A. Whyte
W. Bro. W. S. Williams
W. Bro. M. A. Woods
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Bro. R. J. Clark.....S.W.
Bro. Thos. Crossley....J.W.

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W. Bro. M. McKenzie
W. Bro. G. H. Parker
W. Bro. N. Rotshtein
W. Bro. A. R. Simpson
W. Bro. A. J. Wishart

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Bro. J. Fred.....W.M.
Bro. Solomon Frank...J.W.

R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green
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W. Bro. Harry Genaske
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Bro. D. McKenzie.....J.W.

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W. Bro. D. A. Best
W. Bro. F. Hempsall
W. Bro. E. Manby
W. Bro. A. C. B. Stewart
W. Bro. G. W. Zachary

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Bro. D. Burnside.....S.W.
Bro. F. H. Williams....J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. J. Sinclair
W. Bro. Geo. Florence
W. Bro. C. H. Josie
W. Bro. R. C. Kirk
W. Bro. W. D. Mackie
W. Bro. N. B. MacTaggart
W. Bro. A. Sandilands
W. Bro. E. J. Vickery

JUBILEE LODGE NO. 147:

Bro. J. D. Houston....W.M.

SEVEN OAKS LODGE NO. 148:

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Bro. G. M. McBain....S.W.

W. Bro. F. W. Brownell
W. Bro. H. A. Chowne
W. Bro. Jas. Love
W. Bro. Geo. Macaulay
W. Bro. A. C. Pritchard
W. Bro. E. J. Scott

CARTWRIGHT LODGE NO. 150:

Bro. H. D. Churchill...W.M.

W. Bro. W. H. Newton

THE DORMER LODGE NO. 151:

Bro. D. F. S. Reid.....W.M.
Bro. Sydney Smith.....J.W.

V.W. Bro. Jas. Buchan
W. Bro. W. G. Brisley
W. Bro. J. Elder

W. Bro. A. E. Longstaffe
W. Bro. F. Redgwell
W. Bro. R. W. Ross

FLIN FLON LODGE NO. 153:
Bro. C. Steventon.....W.M.

PINE FALLS LODGE NO. 154:
Bro. E. J. Kahle.....W.M.
Bro. J. Bruce Day.....J.W.

CARMAN LODGE NO. 155:
Bro. Wm. Reid.....W.M. R.W. Bro. N. R. Pickell
Bro. A. Stobart.....J.W. W. Bro. A. C. Clayton
W. Bro. F. W. Evans

MANITOUWAPA LODGE U.D.
Bro. Thos. Gelmon....W.M.
Bro. W. J. Paulson....S.W.
Bro. D. Ferguson.....J.W.

OPENING OF GRAND LODGE

The Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother W. D. Lawrence, accompanied by Past Grand Masters and the Grand Lodge Officers entered the Lodge Room in formal procession, the Brethren singing "Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us."

The Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form at 8:10 p.m. Prayer was offered by R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Chaplain.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master invited all Master Masons in waiting to enter, and extended to them a sincere welcome to the Sessions of the Grand Lodge.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Our Distinguished guests were announced and presented as follows:

Grand Lodge of Alberta:

M.W. Bro. George Moore, Grand Master.
M.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary.
Presented by M.W. Bro James Mackie.

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan:

M.W. Bro. H. M. Underhill, Grand Master.
Presented by M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller.

Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

R.W. Bro. Chauncey C. Colton, Acting Grand Master.
M.W. Bro. Gustaf Widell, Past Grand Master.
M.W. Bro. Col. Frank W. Matson, Past Grand Master.
Presented by M.W. Bro. Hon. W. J. Major.

Grand Lodge of North Dakota:

M.W. Bro. Harry W. Gill, Grand Master.
M.W. Bro. Charles M. Pollock, Past Grand Master.
M.W. Bro. Mark Forkner, Past Grand Master.
Presented by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas.

M.W. Bro. Walter L. Stockwell, P.G.M. and Grand Secretary.
Presented by M.W. Bro. J. T. Boyd.

Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

R.W. Bro. J. G. Grant, Past Grand Warden.
Presented by M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins.

Our Distinguished guests were accorded Grand Honors, and our Most Worshipful Grand Master addressed them as follows:

"In this mad world any Masonic Communication affords a welcome respite, from the cares that infest our troubled days.

"This, the 65th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, is doubly acceptable in that regard, because we have

with us tonight, to grace our deliberations, you, the accredited representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions on either side of the border.

"I see many familiar faces among the distinguished brethren before the Altar, I also see some new ones.

"Shakespeare tells us 'The friends thou hast and their affection tried, grapple them to thy soul with hoops of steel'. We will not try to obey that injunction literally. We are hearing far too much about steel these days. But, if, at this time, we can bind you to our hearts with the silken cords of true Masonic Fellowship and brotherly love, then this Communication will not have been in vain.

"We extend to you, one and all, a hearty welcome. The City is yours, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba is yours, we are all ready and anxious to gratify your every wish.

"On behalf of Grand Lodge I extend to you the courtesy of the floor. Whether you voluntarily avail yourselves of that privilege or not—we are looking forward to a message from each of you tomorrow, at the conclusion of the Grand Chaplain's address.

"Most Worshipful Brothers, will you kindly conduct your distinguished charges to the Grand East."

FLAG CEREMONY

W. Bro. Sydney Foreman (4), carrying the Union Jack.

W. Bro. Ernest Waller (93), carrying the Stars and Stripes, were received and presented the flags at the Altar, the Brethren sang "O Canada" followed by "God Save the King" and "America" when the flags were placed in the East.

ADOPTING REGULATIONS

On motion of R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), seconded by V.W. Bro. W. J. Edwards (25), the regulations for the government of Grand Lodge were adopted as printed in the programme.

READING OF MINUTES

On motion of R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), seconded by R. W. Bro. Rev. George R. Calvert (1), the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Sixty-fourth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge having been printed in the Annual Proceedings were taken as read and adopted.

RECEIVING REPRESENTATIVES OF SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Alabama	R.W. Bro. F. H. Dagg
Alberta	R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr
Alpina (Switzerland)	V.W. Bro. W. C. Birt
British Columbia	R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset
Chili	M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
Colorado	W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
Connecticut	R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
Costa Rica	R.W. Bro. R. McKenzie
Cuba	W. Bro. J. Morgan Davies
Delaware	R.W. Bro. John Coulter
Denmark, N.G.L.	R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
District of Columbia	R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon
Ecuador	R.W. Bro. C. Wiechman
England	M.W. Bro. W. J. Major
Egypt	R.W. Bro. E. T. Hardman
Florida	M.W. Bro. R. Hawkins
France, N.G.L.	R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter
Guatemala	R.W. Bro. J. J. Sinclair
Georgia	R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell
Idaho	R.W. Bro. Hector French
Illinois	V.W. Bro. W. R. Leslie
Indiana	R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood
Ireland	M.W. Bro. J. T. Boyd
Kansas	M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller
Kentucky	R.W. Bro. J. L. Lawson
Louisiana	R.W. Bro. C. E. Cole
Maine	R.W. Bro. W. D. Harper
Maryland	R.W. Bro. N. McDougall
Mexico-York G.L.	R.W. Bro. M. A. Nitikman
Michigan	M.W. Bro. Rev. Dr. A. B. Baird
Minnesota	R.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker
Mississippi	M.W. Bro. Geo. N. Jackson
Missouri	R.W. Bro. M. H. Garton

Netherlands, C.O.	M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin
Nevada	R.W. Bro. T. A. Argue
New Brunswick	R.W. Bro. Rev. G. R. Calvert
New Hampshire	M.W. Bro. George Hunter
New Jersey	V.W. Bro. W. G. Corbett
New Mexico	R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
New South Wales	M.W. Bro. Jas. Mackie
New York	R.W. Bro. Rev. G. A. Woodside
New Zealand	R.W. Bro. Sam Burland
North Carolina	M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
North Dakota	R.W. Bro. J. Frank Dart
Nova Scotia	M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods
Ohio	W. Bro. A. E. Boyle
Oregon	R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson
Paraiba	R.W. Bro. W. L. Cann
Philippine Islands	R.W. Bro. Rev. J. S. Miller
Prince Edward Island	R.W. Bro. T. R. Falconer
Quebec	R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters
Rhode Island	R.W. Bro. J. R. Stalker
Saskatchewan	R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess
Scotland	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
South Australia	R.W. Bro. Dan Hawe
South Carolina	R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer
South Dakota	R.W. Bro. Tom Stockdale
Tennessee	M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing
Utah	R.W. Bro. J. A. Martin
Vermont	R.W. Bro. F. K. Purdie
Virginia	M.W. Bro. Harry Woods
Washington	R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay
West Virginia	M.W. Bro. Wm. Fenwick
Western Australia	R.W. Bro. John Watson
Wisconsin	V.W. Bro. W. J. Edwards

The Grand Representatives brought fraternal greetings from their various Jurisdictions, and the M.W. the Grand Master addressed them as follows:

"On behalf of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, I gladly receive and acknowledge the greetings from you—the Representatives near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba—of our Sister Grand Lodges. This impressive ceremony is a symbol of the universality of Freemasonry. I am going to step down on the level and make the circle complete. As we stand in this unbroken circle let us remember that we are the living symbol of a force and influence that has spread over the whole habitable surface of the earth—the symbols of a power that has conquered just and upright men of every race

and clime, a power that has not left men broken, maimed and shattered in its path—but has lifted men up, made them better, brought them closer to the Great Source from which all goodness emanates.

"Let us fervently pray that this mystic circle may never be broken:

> "Let us faint not nor fear, His arms are near.
> Let us fight the good fight with all our might
> Let us lay hold on life, as life should be
> For such life will be our joy and crown eternally.

"Will you my Brethren, kindly convey to your respective Grand Jurisdictions our warm appreciation of your attendance at this Communication together, with our hearty good wishes and felicitations."

M.W. Bro. Hon. W. J. Major responded to the Welcome of the M.W. Grand Master, on behalf of the Grand Representatives, as follows:

"On behalf of the Grand Jurisdictions whose representatives are here assembled I thank you for your words of greeting and for the truly Masonic sentiments you have expressed.

"You may be assured that those of us who are able will gladly convey to our respective Grand bodies your kindly greetings.

"Unfortunately there are some among us who today are cut off from all communication with those whom they represent.

"The black clouds of war hang heavily over them. A despicable foe has invaded their territory murdering innocent women, children and non-combatants, pillaging their property and destroying everything they hold dear.

"Masonic intercourse is impossible. Canada along with the other members of the Great Commonwealth of British Nations and their allies are today fighting to free the peoples of the world from the heel of the oppressor—to assure them of liberty and equality and to establish for all time that none shall be subjects to the domination and tyranny of a dictator.

"Our hearts, our resources, our prayers are with them in this great struggle. Let us with stout hearts and cool heads go forward, confident that in spite of all that has happened victory will be ours, for we know that the Great Architect of the Universe will not permit crime to go unpunished and that justice shall prevail."

RE-DEDICATION SERVICE

"Re-Dedication of the Sacred Book of the Law of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations."

The Dedication Service was carried out in a very impressive manner by R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Chaplain.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Brethren of The Grand Lodge of Manitoba
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

A wonderful stream is the River Time
As it runs through the realm of tears
With a faultless rhythm and musical rhyme
And broader sweep and a surge sublime
As it blends with the ocean of years.

Tomorrow my term as Grand Master, of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, will merge in the ocean of years. Tonight, I bring to you, the record, of my stewardship.

First however, may I extend to each and every one of you, a hearty welcome, to this, the sixty-fifth annual communication of this Grand Lodge. I have not as yet been able to greet you all personally, I hope to do so before the

proceedings are over, but I want every one to feel and know tonight that we are delighted to have you with us. This is as it should be. The officers and committees of Grand Lodge are necessary machinery for the systematic conduct of business, but Freemasonry is a truly democratic institution and the voice of Grand Lodge lies, in the final analysis, with the body of its accredited representatives. We invite your suggestions and your criticism—especially your constructive criticism.

I welcome too, the many Master Masons, who are with us at this time. My contact with the craft at large, during the past year, has been very close, and I am pleased and grateful to see so many familiar faces around this room to-night. It indicates an interest that is vital to the welfare of our ancient order.

May I here and now, acknowledge my deep debt to the Past Grand Masters, the officers and the members of this Grand Lodge for their constant, efficient, inspiring loyalty and co-operation throughout the masonic year, that is now passing. If the activities of this year, do not redound to the benefit of ancient free and accepted masonry, it is not the fault of my associates, for I have been ably and cheerfully supported in every undertaking. The utmost harmony and good will has prevailed. There has not been one discordant note. Without making invidious distinctions, I feel that I should mention particularly the work of my appointed officers and the Grand Secretary. Never before, to my knowledge, have the appointed officers been so attentive to their duties and to the Grand Master, and I take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation in that behalf. The Grand Secretary, since last November, has carried on under a grave physical disability. In spite of that handicap he has completed another year of unselfish and effective masonic service, to the craft at large and to this Grand Lodge, and its members in particular.

To occupy the Grand East in the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, is at once, a signal honour, a grave responsibility, and an abiding joy. It has been a great masonic adventure.

For the honour you conferred upon me a year ago, I shall always be deeply grateful. As to the responsibility, we are blessed in this jurisdiction with an active and highly capable Board of General Purposes. This includes a wise and interested group of Past Grand Masters. The result is, that I was able to refer all matters of moment to that efficient tribunal, and it never failed to solve my problems and to shoulder my responsibilities. The prestige of the Grand Master of this Grand Jurisdiction is an "open sesame" to the hospitality and the good will of men and masons everywhere. Because I held that office, I have been received and welcomed in places where otherwise I would not have been. I have enjoyed experiences that otherwise would not have been mine, and I have met men and made friendships that will be a joy to me as long as I shall live. Tritely "the pleasure has been all mine." For all these good gifts, I can only say thank you, from the bottom of my heart.

Man was made to mourn. Death comes to all. His cold and sapless hand waves o'er the world and beckons us away. Who shall resist his summons? The committee on "Our Fraternal Dead" will later present their report, but since our last communication, distinguished brethren closely identified with our activities have answered that summons. Shall we rise for a moment in memory of these brethren?

On the 30th day of December 1939, M.W. Bro. Robert Edwin Trousdale passed on. M.W. Bro. Trousdale was the Immediate P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota. He presided at the Jubilee Communication of that Grand Body in Grand Forks last June. Your representatives will not soon forget the courteous attention extended to this Grand Lodge by M.W. Bro. Trousdale on that occasion.

On the 19th of February, M.W. Bro. Milo B. Price, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, died on the train en route to the conference of Grand Masters of Masons at Washington, D.C. Less than a month before, at his installation, M.W. Bro. Price expressed the pleasure he was anticipating, in visiting us, at this communication and of doing his bit to still further cement the pleasant

fraternal relations that have been so happily revived between Minnesota and Manitoba in recent years.

On the 25th of February, M.W. Bro. Henry Lamont Adolph, Grand Master of this Grand Lodge in 1934-5, laid down this earthly life. M.W. Bro. Adolph had just passed his 78th birthday. His was a long life, full of good works and unselfish masonic service.

These distinguished brethren were pioneers in the public and masonic life of their respective jurisdictions. The Grand Lodges of North Dakota, Minnesota, and Manitoba are monuments to their work. May we ever keep these Grand Bodies worthy of their memory.

> These men, who were our friends, are dead
> There is no music more for them.
> Their lights are out, their earthly feast is done
> Their bowl that sparkled to the brim,
> Is drained, is broken, no longer holds.
> God's finger touched them, and they slept.

By our constitution, the reports of the Grand Secretary, of the Grand Treasurer, of the Board of General Purposes and of the various committees, will bring to you the general condition of the craft and a resumé of our activities. I will, therefore, confine myself to matters outside the scope of these reports.

During the year I recommended the appointment of the following Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions near this Grand Lodge:

V.W. Bro. W. C. Birt....Alpina Grand Lodge of Switzerland
R.W. Bro. Charles R. Sayer, Grand Lodge of South Caroline
V.W. Bro. W. J. Edwards.....Grand Lodge of Wisconsin
R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters.....Grand Lodge of Quebec
R.W. Bro. M. A. Nitikman.....Grand Lodge of Mexico
W. Bro. Morgan J. Davies.....Grand Lodge of Cuba
R.W. Bro. Sidney A. Wood.....Grand Lodge of Indiana
V.W. Bro. W. G. Corbett.....Grand Lodge of New Jersey

Apart from the constitutional duties of the office of Grand Representative, may I say that the fraternal correspondents of other Grand Lodges, invariably note, in their reviews, the presence or absence of their particular Representative at our communications. I hope that these newly appointed Grand Representatives will not disappoint the Grand Lodges they have the honour to represent.

It was my pleasant duty during the year to present the Grand Lodge Medal to the following brethren, each of whom has been fifty years a mason:

W. Bro. Edgar W. Rugg, Ancient Landmark No. 3. Initiated in Ancient Landmark Lodge on 13th March, 1889. Passed 29th April, 1889. Raised 8th July, 1889.

Presented in Hillsborough Lodge No. 25, Tampa, G.R. Florida, on 27th June, 1939, by the Worshipful Master.

W. Bro. Joseph John Singleton, Acacia No. 111. Initiated in Lodge 356 Maze, G.R. Ireland, on 28th May, 1887. Passed 18th June, 1887. Raised 13th August, 1887. Elected Master in 1890. Affiliated with Acacia Lodge No. 111, on 8th of May, 1912.

Presented in W. Bro. Singleton's residence, Winnipeg, on 2nd November, 1939.

Bro. Thomas Brady, St. John's No. 4. Initiated in St. John's Lodge on 2nd March, 1887. Passed 4th May, 1887. Raised 1st June, 1887.

Presented in St. John's Lodge on 7th February, 1940.

Bro. John A. Gilhuly, St. James No. 121. Initiated in Lisgar Lodge on 5th March, 1889. Passed 1st April, 1889. Raised 5th July, 1889. Demitted 2nd December, 1889. Affiliated with Belmont Lodge No. 13, 3rd April, 1890. Demitted 21st December, 1916. Affiliated with St. James Lodge No. 121, 14 May, 1924.

Presented in St. James Lodge on 14th February, 1940.

Bro. Robert Turner, St. James Lodge No. 121. Initiated in Hamilton Lodge No. 233, G.R.S., on 8th January, 1890. Passed 5th February, 1890. Raised 5th February, 1890. Affiliated with St. James Lodge No. 121, 14th January, 1914.

Presented in St. James Lodge on 14th February, 1940.

Bro. Albert McMartin, Lisgar Lodge No. 2. Initiated in Lisgar Lodge No. 2 on 1st June, 1885. Passed 13th August, 1885. Raised 22nd October, 1885.

Presented in Bro. McMartin's residence, 258 Selkirk avenue, Winnipeg, on 16th February, 1940.

Bro. A. McTavish Campbell, Prince Rupert's No. 1. Initiated in Prince Rupert's Lodge, on 1st August, 1883. Passed 16th October, 1883. Raised 4th December, 1883.

Presented in Bro. Campbell's residence, 139 Harvard avenue, Winnipeg, on 1st April, 1940.

W. Bro. W. T. Peace, Ancient Landmark No. 3. Initiated in Acacia Lodge No. 61, G.R.C., on 15th September, 1889. Passed.—Raised.—Demitted.—Affiliated with Ancient Landmark No. 3, on 12th June, 1893. Elected Master 1909.

Presented in Ancient Landmark Lodge on 15th, April, 1940.

W. Bro. William James Hamilton, Neepawa No. 24. Initiated in Neepawa Lodge No. 24, on 15th May, 1889. Passed 12th June, 1889. Raised 11th September, 1889. Elected Master in 1893.

Presented in Neepawa Lodge, on 2nd May, 1940.

V.W. Bro. John McRae, Prince Rupert's No. 1. Initiated in Rehoboem Lodge No. 65, G.R.C., on 1st May, 1890. Passed 29th May, 1890. Raised 3rd July, 1890. Demitted 2nd February, 1893. Affiliated with Zetland Lodge No. 326, G.R.C., on 23rd December, 1892. Demitted.—Affiliated with Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1, on 18th February, 1896. Elected Master in 1913. Grand Pursuivant, 1933.

Presented in Prince Rupert's Lodge, on 21st May, 1940.

Without exception, these brethren were keenly appreciative, of the recognition, thus accorded them, by Grand Lodge. Without exception, they are living examples of the life long impression upon a man's life and character, of the principles of morality and virtue, taught by Freemasonry and an earnest exhortation to us, to incline our hearts to those teachings and precepts. Every man of them, received deep satisfaction from the medal itself, but I know, that (unconsciously perhaps), they each enjoyed a still deeper and a more abiding satisfaction from the contacts,

the friendships, the comfort, and the good works, of half a century in the craft. To these honoured brethren, Grand Lodge extends its good wishes, and the sincere hope that every one of them may long be spared to wear the medal that marks him, fifty years a mason.

My first official visit was to the Golden Jubilee Communication, of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, at Grand Forks, on the 19th and 20th and 21st days of June last. Your Grand Lodge was represented, at that memorable gathering by M.W. Bro. William Douglas, M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, M.W. Bro. J. T. Boyd, the Grand Secretary, the Senior Grand Warden, and the Grand Master. In keeping with the importance of the occasion, practically every Grand Jurisdiction was directly or indirectly represented and their warmest felicitations and expressions of good will were communicated to the Grand Lodge of North Dakota. As a memento of the occasion, M.W. Bro. Douglas presented to our hosts to be added to the Stockwell collection in the Grand Lodge Library of North Dakota, a leather bound booklet containing the story of the Old Pembina Lodge 1863-4. This volume was inscribed as follows:

"1889-1939

"In commemoration of the Golden Jubilee of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota and in token of our friendship for the brethren of North Dakota we fraternally submit this our tribute of appreciation."

Each of your representatives subscribed his name to this sentiment on your behalf. Needless to say, it was most graciously received and accepted by M.W. Bro. Trousdale.

The event of the second evening was a play depicting the masonic and historic background of North Dakota. Our M.W. Bro. Douglas wrote a part of the lines and assisted in directing its most effective production.

Perhaps the outstanding feature of this Golden Jubilee Celebration, was the historical exhibit prepared under the direction of our good friend M.W. Bro. W. L. Stockwell.

This wonderful display presented the story of Freemasonry in North Dakota just as eloquently as Bro. Stockwell might have painted it in words, and that is no faint praise.

Before I leave North Dakota I wish to acknowledge the comfort, the assistance, and the inspiration I have received during the past year from my association with M.W. Bro. Gill, the present Grand Master. We met at Fargo four years ago, when we were both newly made Junior Grand Wardens, and we have worked in close harmony ever since. He is almost a Manitoban. His home is in Pembina just over the border. Because of that close proximity and of his interest in Freemasonry, he has attended many Manitoba functions. That M.W. Bro. Gill has carried the spirit of masonic fellowship and good will into our jurisdiction in his own friendly cheerful way, as literally hundreds of our brethren here will gladly testify.

On Sunday, July 2nd, I attended the international services on Masonic Island in Lake Metigoshe. Let me speak for a moment of those ceremonies. Lake Metigoshe lies athwart the International boundary, in the lap of the Turtle Mountains, in south western Manitoba. To reach the lake, we crossed the border, at the Peace Garden, south of Boissevain.

We stopped there to read the inscription, on the stone cairn, that marks the international boundary line:

"To God in his glory
We two nations dedicate this garden
And pledge ourselves that as long as
Men shall live, we will not take up arms against one another."

Such words bring comfort indeed, in times like these.

In the lake, there is a little island, hardly more than five acres. On the island, grows the only original timber in the State of North Dakota. All other stands have been ravaged, at one time or another by forest fires, but there—protected, all through the years, by the friendly waters of the lake, stands truly the forest primeval, not the murmuring pines and the hemlocks it's true, but the rugged oaks

and stately elms, hoary with age. As we stood beneath their ancient shade, we too, realized, like the poet, that only God can make a tree. Some years ago, the Grand Lodge of North Dakota acquired title to this island. They called it Masonic Island, and they hold it today, in trust, alike for the masons of North Dakota, and for the masons of Manitoba. On the island the underbrush has been cleared away in the form of a parallelopipedon, in length from east to west, in breadth from north to south. Concrete seats, and pedestals have been built in the alloted places. A concrete altar stands in the centre of the clearing. The carpet is the cool green grass of the shaded forest spaces, and the covering is the celestial canopy itself, even the heavens. There for many years, in July, Masons from north, south, east and west have held appropriate ceremonies under the kindly direction of R.W. Bro. Gudmundur Grimson. The soul of every good work, the God in every machine is some one man. Bro. Grimson is the man of Masonic Island.

Last July the speaker of the day was Hon. William Nuessle, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Dakota. Bro. Nuessle spoke eloquently and earnestly of the place in the Constitution, of the United States, of the Magna Charta, the Habeas Corpus Act, and the Bill of Rights. As I look back tonight, on that significant gathering, it seems to me that the permanence, the solidarity, the antiquity of the material surroundings, in which Bro. Nuessle spoke—those verities of nature, must have been given to us then as symbols of the permanence, the solidarity, the enduring qualities of the great eternal things of which he spoke, the verities of life itself, Liberty, Justice, Equality, Virtue, Morality and Brotherly Love. The ceremonies on Masonic Island this year are fixed for Sunday, July 14th.

Under our present distribution, three constituent lodges are allotted to the personal supervision of the Grand Master, The Pas No. 124, Sprague No. 132, and Flin Flon No. 153. We visited Sprague, on the 9th of August. Despite the fact, that Sprague lies in the south east corner of the Province, and was at that time, on account of rain very difficult of access to Grand Lodge officers and masons alike, we had

an enthusiastic meeting. The attendance was augmented by the presence of brethren from lodges at Warroad and Rosseau in Minnesota. M.W. Bro. Woods held a lodge of installed masters, and conferred that degree on a number of brethren who had not heretofore had the opportunity of receiving it. The brethren of Sprague marked the evening by a complimentary banquet to the Grand Lodge officers, and their American visitors. This function was quite in keeping with the best masonic tradition, and we came away from Sprague, knowing that masonry was in good hands in that outlying part of the jurisdiction.

We visited Flin Flon No. 153, on the 12th of September. Flin Flon will always stand out in my memory, because there, in the afternoon, we laid the corner stone of their new masonic temple and that night held the first meeting, within its walls. The temple is a fine building, quite in keeping with the town itself. The lodge membership is young, active, and full of enterprise, masonic and otherwise. In the evening we were entertained to a banquet, in the Community Hall, at which all the dignitaries of the town and their ladies were presented. The programme was excellent, and the gathering most cosmopolitan, hospitable, and enthusiastic. Among my souvenirs, now, is a beautiful silver trowel, presented to me by Flin Flon Lodge, in commemoration of the laying of their corner stone. This I will always cherish.

The next night, we visited The Pas Lodge No. 124, and had a fine meeting. Kipling tells us "There's never law of God nor man runs north of fifty-three". That may be true. But The Pas and Flin Flon are both north of fifty-three, and we, who attended those lodges last September, will vouch for that fact that at least the law of hospitality obtains there, to a degree, not surpassed in any lower latitude.

In accordance with ancient custom, I attended all the district meetings of the jurisdiction. The dates and places of these meetings were as follows:

District No. 4 on July 28th.....at Boissevain
District No. 5 on August 30th.....at Birtle
District No. 9 on September 11th.....at Swan River

District No. 10 on September 29th.....at Transcona
District No. 7 on October 5th.....at Oak Lake
District No. 3 on October 6th.....at Swan Lake
District No. 2 on October 10th.....at Gladstone
District No. 6 on October 17th.....at Melita
District No. 8 on October 19th.....at Dominion City
District No. 1 on October 28th.....at Winnipeg
District No. 12 on February 17th.....at Winnipeg

The meetings of District No. 1 and 12 assumed something of an international character. Despite a stormy day, some seventy-five or eighty brethren from Minnesota and North Dakota attended the meeting of District No. 1. We are indebted to W.M. Bro. Gill and R.W. Bro. Leon Pettit of North Dakota and to our energetic District Deputy Grand Masters, for this outstanding demonstration of international fraternal fellowship and good will.

The district meetings were all marked by good attendance, and the uniform courtesy of officers and members alike, and a lively interest in masonic affairs, both local and general.

Two things were apparent from these meetings. First, there is a growing dissatisfaction throughout the jurisdiction, as to the method of electing District Deputy Grand Masters, and second, the District Deputy Grand Masters are not always, at the beginning of their term, sufficiently versed in the duties of the office. At this communication you will be asked to consider an amendment to the constitution, directed towards curing the first condition. We also have, on the agenda for four o'clock tomorrow, a meeting of District Deputy Grand Masters elect, under the capable direction of M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, who has already given me so freely of his time, and his talents that I do not know how to thank him. It is my wish that every District Deputy Grand Master attend this meeting. M.W. Bro. Woods will gladly answer any questions, and District Deputy Grand Masters, in the coming year, will have no alibis.

It was my privilege to attend communications of three sister Grand Jurisdictions.

In September of last year, I had occasion to visit Kansas City, Missouri, and Des Moines, Iowa. My schedule did not permit me attending the regular Grand Lodge Communication in either of those States, but M.W. Bro. Chiles, the Grand Master of Missouri and M.W. Bro. Benjamin, the Grand Master of Iowa, alike, hearing of my visit, arranged special communications of their respective Grand Lodges. I attended the communication of the Grand Lodge of Missouri at Kansas City, on September 23rd and the communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa on September 25th. Both communications were well attended. We were received most graciously and accorded every courtesy and consideration. I was not previously, personally acquainted with the brethren in either of these Grand Jurisdictions, so I consider these two emergent Grand Communications outstanding tributes to this Grand Lodge, and I herewith record our sincere appreciation in that regard.

On January 17th and 18th, in company with M.W. Bros. Douglas, Burritt, Woods, and Boyd and the Senior Grand Warden, I attended the 87th annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota at St. Paul. Since M.W. Bro. Boyd revived the early masonic association between Minnesota and Manitoba, these visits back and forth have been among our most delightful experiences. Our visit to St. Paul was no exception. Our good friend M.W. Bro. Nordbye presided. The Governor of Minnesota was the orator of the day. The past Grand Masters' banquet was well attended and altogether it was one of the most pleasant masonic functions of the year.

From my report thus far, it must be apparent that the masonic relations between the brethren on either side of the border are warm and friendly. That is true, not only here, but along the whole length of that remarkable line. Freemasonry speaks even in symbols. Such gatherings, as I have recalled to you tonight—gatherings like this—where men with the same hopes and fears, men with the same ideals, men who follow the same star, who speak the same language, men who know no border line, meet on the level

and part on the square—such gatherings are the symbols of a unanimity of heart and mind, a singleness of purpose that will go far to preserve for the world the truths and the ideals of Freemasonry.

In addition to my visits to the district meetings, and to sister grand jurisdictions, I attended some thirty-eight constituent lodge functions as follows:

September 7th, East Star No. 55, at Gretna.
September 19th, King Solomon No. 8, at Morris, 60th anniversary.
October 3rd, The Assiniboine No. 114, Canadian Night.
October 11th, Fort Garry No. 130.
November 4th, Ionic No. 25, Annual Reunion.
November 13th, Ionic No. 25, Armistice Night.
November 22nd, Fort Garry No. 130, Annual Reunion.
November 28th, Prince Rupert No. 1.
January 8th, Ionic No. 25.
January 11th, Norwood No. 119.
February 7th, St. John's No. 4.
February 14th, St. James No. 121.
February 16th, Fidelity No. 146.
February 20th, Tweed No. 113, Brandon.
March 4th, Sturgeon Creek No. 145.
March 6th, St. John's No. 4, Manitoba Night.
March 11th, Empire No. 127, Irish Night.
March 12th, Kildonan No. 131.
March 13th, Tuscan No. 141.
March 14th, Beaver No. 139, with M.W. Bro. N. T. Avards.
March 28, Mount Sinai No. 143.
April 8th, Windsor No. 138.
April 12th, Seven Oaks No. 148.
April 15th, Ancient Landmark No. 3.
April 16th, Stonewall No. 12, 60th anniversary.
May 1st, King Edward No. 93, Father and Son banquet.
May 2nd, Neepawa No. 24, Reunion of York Rite Lodges.
May 3rd, Capitol No. 136.
May 6th, Ionic No. 25, Past Masters' Night.
May 7th, The Dormer No. 151.
May 8th, Lord Selkirk No. 137.
May 13th, Windsor No. 138, visit from Pembina, Emerson.
May 13th, Empire No. 127, visit from Oak Lake.
May 16th, Meridian No. 140.
May 21st, Prince Rupert No. 1, to present 50 year jewel.
May 21st, Fort Osborne No. 144.
May 23rd, Gladstone No. 11, at home.
June 3rd, Ionic No. 25, visit of Ionic No. 186 Duluth, Minn.

On the 5th of November, in company with M.W. Bro. Harry Woods and the Grand Secretary, I attended the 25th anniversary services of St. Catherines Anglican Church at Birds Hill. The corner stone of the church was laid by M.W. Bro. Lynds S. Vaughan, then Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, on the 30th day of July, 1914. M.W. Bro. Fenwick was Deputy Grand Master and M.W. Bro. Harry Bletcher was Senior Grand Warden. M.W. Bro. Vaughan has gone to his reward and among the treasures of the Church today is the silver trowel presented to him on that occasion and returned to the Church, by his family, after his demise. The events of twenty-five years ago were recalled in a fitting and impressive service.

So much for the story of a somewhat comprehensive programme for this Grand Jurisdiction. I do not necessarily offer it as a precedent. My explanation is—that early in my year, I reached the conclusion that our constituent lodges received a distinct benefit, a real impetus from an official visit of the Grand Master as such, and without any personal significance. Such being the case, my duty—as I saw it, was to accept as many of the many invitations offered, as I was able to fill. Looking backward, tonight, I believe I was right, that such visits did accomplish something for Freemasonry. In nearly every case the host lodge also entertained the officers and members of another lodge, sometimes from the city, sometimes from the country. Markham says "the tragedy of the world is that men are strangers." That disability is fast disappearing among Manitoba masons and the visits of the Grand Master and his officers are largely responsible for its disappearance. Congenial contacts were made, friendships were formed, better understandings were attained as a result of these meetings and visitations, and altogether an atmosphere has been created that augurs well for the future of the craft both within the Province and beyond.

And now my brethren, while I am still your Grand Master, and before I lay down this gavel, will you hear again the message that in one form and another I have tried to

impress upon you, during the past year? Many of you have heard it before. I make no apology for that, it will bear repetition. It touches the vital spark that lies (too often dormant) in the heart of every just and upright man, free by birth, of sound judgment, and strict morals, the heart of every true mason. If, in some such hearts it fans that spark to flame, I am satisfied.

Tonight, you and I are driven back to the fundamental things of life, as we, citizens all our lives of a democratic country, believe those things to be. We are living in dark days. No man can be made a mason unless he acknowledges his belief in the existence of a Supreme Being—The Great Architect of the Universe. Forget not, in these dark days, that the light of His Countenance still shines through the gloom and points us to the skies. Dark though our days may be, it only remains for us to ride the beam, as our air pilots do, and we will land at last safe in the port of our salvation. We triumph still if He abides with us.

"Now with sorrowful hearts we must record that the Armageddon so long predicted has burst upon us with unparalleled fury." Those words are not mine. They were spoken twenty-five years ago by M.W. Bro. Lynds S. Vaughan, when he presided at the fortieth annual communication of this Grand Lodge, on the 9th day of June, 1915, the first communication after the outbreak of the Great War. They are doubly true today.

They are true today because it is a failing of our people —of the Anglo Saxon peoples everywhere—to forget.

When the tumult and the fighting dies, when the captains and the kings depart, we forget and turn again to the material things of life. We forgot twenty odd years ago, when we helped to win the war, that was to end all wars. We forgot and turned with all our energy to lifting ourselves out of the material and economic depression, that followed that war. We forgot the equally vital and more deadly spiritual depression, that also followed that war. The result is that today on the same stricken field, in the

same cause, we face the same foe that twenty odd years ago, we faced and fought and conquered.

> Once more we hear the word
> That sickened men of old
> No law except the sword
> Unsheathed and uncontrolled.

Democracy and all the things that democracy stands for, liberty, justice, equality are in jeopardy. Democracy and democratic institutions, not the least of which is Freemasonry, are facing tonight and now the supreme challenge.

Canada is in this war. That was inevitable. England is the mother democracy. England has accepted that challenge. When Martin Luther was faced with his accusers, at the Diet of Wurms, he was asked to recant. He replied, "It is neither wise nor honest, to go against the voice of conscience. I cannot and I will not make any recantation. Here I stand. I can no other. So help me God." Canada is a young nation, seventy-three on the first of July, but when Britain sent a relief expedition to Gordon at Khartum, in the early eightys, Canada was there by Britain's side. Men from Canada, men from Winnipeg, Red River voyageurs tooled the York boats, up the cataracts of the Nile. When Britain faced the Boer on the veldts of South Africa, at the turn of the Century, Canada was there at Britain's side. From 1914 to 1918 Canada was there at Britain's side. Canada is there at Britain's side today. There we stand. We can no other. So help us God.

It has been held in effect that Freemasonry, as an institution, may make no commitment on any public or political question, nor seek, as such to influence government officials in the performance of their duties. I agree that Freemasonry is primarily a teacher, a character builder. Its first mission is to so teach, to so build the character of free masons, that they, as men and as citizens will meet their responsibilities and their duties to their God, their King and their country, as to preserve their civic institutions and serve their fellow citizens.

But the inhibitions, that may apply to the institution as such, do not apply to individual masons. No man by wrapping himself in the cloak of Freemasonry can lose his identity as a citizen. No mason by retiring beyond the tiled doors of masonry can rid himself of his civic duties and responsibilities. Rather is the reverse the case. Our first charge, given to the newly made mason, admonishes him to be exemplary in the discharge of his civil duties. We direct his attention to our flag, the Union Jack. We tell him, that it is the symbol of the duties we owe to our King and to our Country, and of the rights and privileges we enjoy under the British Constitution as citizens of Canada and the Empire. In Canada, Freemasonry and citizenship are synonymous. Every instinct of Canadian citizenship, every vow of Freemasonry, exhorts and requires us to resist, to the death, this vicious onslaught upon democracy, this wanton violation of our heritage, this ruthless rape of human rights.

Mason or Citizen, it matters not, we are part and parcel of the greatest democracy this world has known, a democracy that has constantly and consistently striven for the emancipation of the common people. I think it was Lincoln who said: "God must love the common people, for he made so many of them." The British constitution is the epitone of democracy. It is the trestle board upon which has been drawn the design, of every modern form of democracy, that we know. Out of the centuries, it has evolved a form of government, that insures to the common man, the maximum of human liberty, consistent with a like degree of liberty on the part of his fellow men, a form of government that insures to the common man, not only the right to tread the middle way of political equality and economic opportunity, but the right to tread that middle way, freely, and not to the goose step, the right to meet, to speak, to act, to vote, to worship, freely, according to the dictates of his individual conscience, and not at the point of a bayonet. Democracy has been able to do these things, because it is founded upon the principles of virtue and morality. Earl Baldwin, in his Falconer lectures at Toronto in April, a

year ago, said: "You cannot begin to understand the Englishman until you realize the impression left on him, generation after generation, by the English Bible. In the most formative time of our history, the greatest translation of the Bible, in English, appeared. From the literary point of view, no greater work was ever produced. Our own literature was steeped in its language and for generations it was taken to the hearts of our people and the Hebrew spirit of consciousness of human weakness and dependence on God stamped itself on the English character. This led to that constant questioning of conduct, that uneasiness as to whether any given choice of ways was right or wrong." In other words Earl Baldwin tells us that because of the Bible, we as a people, have developed a moral consciousness. No nation ever has been greater, than the moral consciousness of its individual citizens.

The principles of virtue and morality which are the vital parts of Freemasonry are revealed to us in that same Holy Book, in that volume of the Sacred Law, that lies for ever open upon our altars. Our destiny tonight, is in our own hands, in the hands of the people. Our hope, for the future, hangs on the moral consciousness of our individual citizens.

> Like the winds of the sea are the winds of fate
> As we sail o'er the sea of life
> T'is the set of the soul
> That decides the goal
> And not the calm or strife.

If our souls are set to catch the powerful currents of masonic truth and masonic inspiration, the goal is never in doubt.

The rights and the privileges that we enjoy in Canada today are not the work of our own hands. They are the result of centuries of struggle and suffering and sacrifice. They are the heritage to us, of generation after generation, of men who fought and bled and died for freedom. Each generation has contributed something to that heritage and passed it on, enhanced in value, to those who came after.

All that we have of freedom
All that we use and know
This our fathers bought for us
Long and long ago
Ancient right unnoticed
As the very breath we draw
Leave to live by no Man's leave
Underneath the law.

Today we are the heirs of that heritage. It is ours, but not ours to dissipate or destroy. Our hertiage is charged with a sacred trust. We are trustees, trustees in the fullest sense of that noble word. This heritage of liberty is ours to use and enjoy, but also to enhance in value and pass along. untarnished and unsullied to our children and our children's children. The vital issue today is not what happens to this generation, but what happens to the heritage, that this generation holds in trust.

We can fight—the world knows that we can fight, and that we will fight. The cenotaphs and the monuments in every town and village, across this broad land, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, the tablets in our memorial halls, and our lodge rooms, the little white crosses, row on row, among the poppies, in the Fields of Flanders, the mystic chords of memory that stretch over the sea from those little crosses and after twenty years, still tug at your heart and mine, are eloquent evidence that we can fight. Yes, we can fight. And nothing need be said of our fighting men. On land and sea and in the air, they will do their part. Of course, we cannot all go to the front. The tragedy of war is, that it demands only the young, the strong, the flower of our manhood, as fodder for the guns. But there is other work to do. This war is not being fought on the western front alone. This war was declared, long before the 9th of September 1939. The enemy discovered long ago that lying propaganda, broken treaties and the like were weapons just as deadly as bombs and tanks and guns. For years his puppets, spies, and hirelings have sown the seeds of discontent among the trusting, shall I say gullible peoples of the different democratic countries. To the shame of some, who knew better, such seeds took root in places where they

should not have taken root. With our young people, it was different. Democracy is not perfect. Being the product of human intelligence and human ingenuity, it never will be perfect. But the gravest indictment against democracy, is its failure to provide occupation and employment for the young men who fought in the last war and for the later generation. With nothing to do, ambitions frustrated,—denied the opportunity and the means to live normal lives, the various "isms", garbed in gaudy colors, sugar coated, easy to take, found ready acceptance among our young people. Today, the Scales are lifted from our eyes, War has stripped these "isms" of all their camouflage, young and old alike we see them now in all their hideous nakedness. Democracy too stands forth in true colors. In the harbor of Dunkerque—in such a hell as never blazed on earth before—the rags and blemishes that have hidden the soul of democracy dropped away. We know at last that imperfect though it be, democracy still has more to offer than any alternative. This shining thing in the hearts of our people no dictator can command, attain, or conquer. It is the great tradition of democracy—it is victory.

Our young men are again on the battle front, fighting for that tradition.

It is for the rest of us to keep the home fires burning, till those boys come home; and to see to it, that this time, they come home to something worth while, something worthy of their effort and their sacrifice. Therein lies the opportunity of Freemasonry. There are more than two hundred thousand masons in Canada. There are millions of masons throughout the world. We can do two things: first, we can take our Freemasonry, out of the lodge room and into our daily lives, into the store and the office, into the street and the farm, into our daily contacts with our fellow men. We can live Freemasonry, not according to the letter but in the spirit in which it is given to us—for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life. Secondly, we can provide the leadership that, right now the world needs. The present crisis goes far beyond any question of public opinion, or

political views. It is a matter of life and death. It is a fight for survival, the survival, alike of democracy and Freemasonry, not only in England and in Canada, but anywhere and everywhere. Our present predicament is largely due to lack of leadership and lack of united action. Eight democracies have fallen, one by one, and with their fall Freemasonry has lost in those eight countries, the work of centuries. Every country, where masonry still exists, is under the gun. Which will be next Right is on our side. Within Freemasonry lies dormant the power that can save both democracy and itself. Shall we stir that sleeping power to action? Shall we effectively realize the might of our great order? Certainly not without leadership and united action. If, as we are told, united action means the ruin of the craft, then I say, better to perish together in a righteous cause, than to go down one by one, one jurisdiction after the other, to a hopeless martyrdom, however glorious. A martyrdom, it is true, that will make a deathless saga for future generations, but that will set the order and the great eternal things that the order stands for, back a thousand years.

Personally, I don't think for a moment that leadership and united action mean the ruin of the craft. In union there is strength. The same effort, the same sacrifice, the same suffering that individually, hap-hazardly and recklessly exerted can only spell defeat—will spell victory, when intelligently, unitedly and simultaneously applied, under capable leadership, backed by a united, unanimous Freemasonry. Perhaps we have, as masons, as we assuredly have as citizens, left undone some of the things we ought to have done. Surely, in days like these Freemasonry may speak, should speak with a single voice. It is high time that we found ourselves. Democracy everywhere needs leadership and unity of thought and action, particularly action. Freemasonry, as an order, can and I think should provide that leadership, and do it now.

And now, my brethren, with a firm and humble faith in the God of our Fathers, with an invincible confidence in

our ultimate victory, and while I am still your Grand Master, I charge you:

> For all we have and are, for all our children's sake,
> Stand up and take the war, the Hun is at the gate.
> No idle hope or lies, shall bring us to our goal,
> But iron sacrifice, of body, will and soul,
> There's but one task for all, one life for each to give.
> Who stands if England fall, who dies if England Live?

On motion by M.W. Bro. Col.-Royal Burritt (130), seconded by M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90), the Grand Master's address was referred to the Committee on Grand Master's address.

The Shrine Chanters rendered several appropriate choruses, and the Most Worshipful Grand Master expressed the appreciation on behalf of himself and Grand Lodge for their fine musical contribution. Applause.

NOMINATIONS FOR GRAND LODGE OFFICERS AND THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

The Grand Secretary reported the following nominations had been received:—

Grand Master:
R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, Miniota Lodge No. 102.

Deputy Grand Master:
R.W. Bro. Rev. G. R. Calvert, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.

Senior Grand Warden:
R.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni, Gladstone Lodge No. 11.

Junior Grand Warden:
R.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker, St. John's Lodge No. 4.

Grand Treasurer:
R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.

Grand Secretary:
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114.

Grand Chaplain:

R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey, Ionic Lodge No. 25.

Grand Historian:

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, St. John's Lodge No. 4.

Grand Director of Ceremonies:

R.W Bro. C. R. Sayer, Northern Light Lodge No. 10.

Grand Librarian:

R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset, Lisgar Lodge No. 2.

Board of General Purposes:

V.W. Bro. Wm. C. Birt .....St. John's Lodge No. 4
W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy .....St. John's Lodge No. 4
W. Bro. J. F. Irwin .....Neepawa Lodge No. 24
W. Bro. Cecil Philip .....Ionic Lodge No. 25
R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate .....Killarney Lodge No. 50
R.W. Bro. Charles Midwinter ..Acacia Lodge No. 111
R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan .....Tweed Lodge No. 113
R.W. Bro. W. J. Wilson .....Norwood Lodge No. 119
W. Bro. Jas. Scott .....Windsor Lodge No. 138
W. Bro. S. W. Robertson ....Beaver Lodge No. 139
R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood .....Fort Osborne Lodge No. 144
W. Bro. D. A. Best .....Sturgeon Creek Lodge 145
R.W. Bro. Tom Stockdale .....Sturgeon Creek Lodge 145
W. Bro. F. W. Brownell .....Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148
W. Bro. George Macaulay ...Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148

SCRUTINEERS

The Most Worshipful Grand Master appointed the following brethren to act as scrutineers, with power to add to their number:—

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130)
W. Bro. J. W. Tackaberry (4)

FRATERNAL GREETINGS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Letters extending fraternal greetings and good wishes were received from the following:—

The Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, F. & A.M.
Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. C. Walker Reid (86).

R.W. Bro. William Cairns (49).
Past Grand Chaplain, Rev. George W. Findlay.
P.M. Joe W. Pender, Grand Lodge of Texas.
P.M. Lloyd Peabody, Grand Lodge of Minnesota.
P.M. Porter A. Roberts, Grand Lodge of Maine.
R.W. Bro. Capt. J. P. MacKinnon (49).
Grand Chapter of Manitoba, Order of the Eastern Star.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. and A.M.

The Board of General Purposes begs to report as follows:

Since the last Communication of Grand Lodge the Board has met seven times, and the following is a digest of the meetings.

JUNE 7TH, 1939

R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson was elected Chairman of the Board. R.W. Bro. G. R. Calvert, Vice-chairman.

The Committee appointed to strike Standing Committees, consisted of M.W. Bro. J. T. Boyd, M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, M.W. Bro. N. J. Black, R.W. Bro. W. McLellan, and R.W. Bro. H. T. Waters.

JUNE 16TH, 1939

Plans for the new Lodge Hall at Flin Flon, were presented. The financial arrangements for the cost of the building were approved, and the Lodge was granted permission to go ahead with the building.

The report of the Committee to strike Standing Committees was received and adopted.

SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1939

The Grand Secretary was asked to take up the quesion of incorporation with the constituent Lodges that were still without letters of incorporation.

The Committee appointed to revise Forms 20 and 21, reported progress.

NOVEMBER 17TH, 1939

The revision of Forms 20 and 21, was reviewed and the new draft of Form 20 approved. The Grand Secretary was instructed to have the new form in the hands of all Lodge Secretaries in time for the December 31st, 1939, returns. The Committee was given extension of time to complete the revision of Form 21.

The question of a successor to the Assistant Librarian (resigned) was discussed. This matter was left with the Committee on Masonic Research and Education.

FEBRUARY 23RD, 1940

Following the letter sent by the Grand Secretary to the Lodges which were not incorporated, 5 Lodges took out letters of incorporation. Fifty-two Lodges in the jurisdiction are now incorporated under the provisions of An Act Respecting the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. and A.M. C A 1924 Cap 123.

In response to a Communication from the Grand Lodge of Alberta, a Committee consisting of R.W. Bro. B. C. Parker, M.W. Bro. George Hunter and R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter, was appointed to consider the matter of War Effort.

The Programme Committee reported that W. Bro. Frank L. Eversull, President of North Dakota Agricultural College, had consented to address Grand Lodge on Thursday evening, June 6th, 1940.

On the recommendation of the District Deputy Grand Master of Third Masonic District R.W. Bro. G. O. Couch, the change of location of the meeting place of Rathwell Lodge No. 87, was approved.

APRIL 19TH, 1940

On the recommendation of the District Deputy Grand Master of Twelfth Masonic District, R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood, permission was granted to Fort Osborne Lodge No. 144, to change location of its meeting place.

An amendment to the Constitution by W. Bro. A. Adams, of Fort Garry Lodge No. 130, was presented. The Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals was instructed to consider the amendment and report.

JUNE 5TH, 1940

The new Form, No. 21 was approved. An application from Manitouwapa Lodge U.D., for a Charter was presented, and as all provisions of the Constitution had been complied with, the application was received by the Board and they recommend to Grand Lodge that a Charter be given to Manitouwapa Lodge U.D. under the number of "156". The reports of the Standing Committees were read and approved for presentation to Grand Lodge.

In conclusion I wish to express my thanks to the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, whose wise counsel and sympathetic understanding of all our problems have proved a power of strength to me personally and to the Board as a whole.

Fraternally submitted,

J. J. HENDERSON,
Chairman.

MASONIC DISTRICTS

The Grand Secretary reported that the Notice of Motion given at the last Annual Communication, to reconsider the present distribution of Lodges in the First, Tenth and Twelfth Masonic Districts, had been withdrawn by the mover.

M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90), moved, seconded by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3), that the Masonic Districts as at present constituted be continued for another year. Carried.

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment by Most Worshipful Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Grand Master, until 10:00 o'clock a.m. tomorrow, Thursday, June 6th, 1940.

Second Day

Thursday, June 6th, 1940

Morning Session

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 10:10 a.m. by Most Worshipful Brother W. D. Lawrence, Grand Master.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

I beg to submit my report as Grand Secretary covering the year ending 31st December 1939, being the Sixty-fifth Annual Report of this Grand Lodge.

Each of the Constituent Lodges has sent in their Semi-Annual returns and the following Statistics give the gains and losses for the year under review:

Number of Lodges at 31st December, 1938.....	104	
Concord Lodge No. 135 amalgamated with Shiloh Lodge No. 70	1	
	103	
Manitouwapa Lodge U.D.	1	
Number of Lodges at 31st December, 1939.....	104	
Membership of Lodges at 31st December, 1938.....		10,413
Errors in returns of Lodges		4
		10,409

	1939	1938		
Initiated during the year	207	207		
Affiliated during the year	129	115		
Reinstated during the year	40	56		
	376	378		
				376
				10,785
Demitted during the year	159	181		
Suspended during the year	193	265		
Died during the year	155	157		
	507	603		
				507

Membership at 31st December, 1939.....10.278
Net Loss for the year 131

The question is often raised as to the age of our Initiated and the following information covering the year 1939, may be of interest. Taking the ages of the 207 Initiates of 1939:

Ages 21 to 30 inclusive.....33.3 %
Ages 31 to 40 inclusive.....35.77%
Ages 41 to 50 inclusive.....23.09%
Ages 51 to 60 inclusive..... 7.84%

The numerical strength of our Lodges is distributed as follows:

There are 3 Lodges with a membership of 400 and over
3 Lodges with a membership of 300 to 400
5 Lodges with a membership of 200 to 300
18 Lodges with a membership of 100 to 200
34 Lodges with a membership of 50 to 100
41 Lodges with a membership of less than 50

The following table gives the changes in our membership during the past five years:

		Suspensions	Demits	Deaths	Net Loss
Membership in 1935	11,066	248	189	143	276
Membership in 1936	10,854	204	159	140	209
Membership in 1937	10,658	229	157	140	196
Membership in 1938	10,413	265	181	157	225
Membership in 1939	10,278	193	159	155	131

Under the authority of the Most Worshipful Grand Master the following Dispensations were issued:

Amendments to Lodge By-Laws 19
Lodges Nos. 1, 10, 15, 48, 51, 54 (2), 63, 71, 109, 114 (2), 117, 127, 139, 140, 148, 152, 153.

Attend Church Service in Regalia 26
Lodges Nos: 14, 19, 24, 27, 29, 36, 40, 75, 104, 105, 108, 110, 113, 116, 117, 119, 123, 127, 136, 138, 147, 152 (2), 153 (2), Manitouwapa U.D.

Hold Joint Installation 4
Lodges Nos: 19 and 113; 131 and 151.

Change date or hour of Meeting 14
Lodges Nos: 12, 44, 74, 77, 82, 108 (2), 109, 118, 125, 141, 143, 144, 153.

Waivers of Jurisdiction 3
Lodges Nos: 48, 49, 155.

Change Place of Meeting 4
Lodges Nos: 87, 114, 144, 153.

Special Meetings 2
Lodges Nos. 8 and 154.

Confer Degrees within Prescribed Time 4
Lodges Nos: 86, 123, 130, 145.

Elect and Install 6
Lodges Nos: 12 (2), 68, 100, 114, 154.

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GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The following Commissions have been issued to Grand Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, near other Grand Lodges:

England ..... R.W. Bro. Rt. Hon. Viscount De Vesci,
Vice-Sir George McLaren Brown—Deceased.

West Virginia ..... W. Bro. Charles B. Ahrens,
Vice-W. Bro. James Luke.

Philippine Islands .. W. Bro. Gonzalo T. Vales,
Vice-M.W. Bro. Rafael Palma—Deceased.

Arizona ..... Bro. Rev. Robert D. Calder,
Vice-Bro. Wm. T. Murdoch.

Colorado ..... W. Bro. Ira C. Foster,
Vice-M.W. Bro. Jethro C. Sanford—Deceased.

Florida ..... R.W. Bro. Frank A. Brown,
Vice-M.W. Bro. George B. Glover—Deceased.

Louisiana ..... W. Bro. Thomas Gessner,
Vice-Bro. Daniel R. Harmon.

Our Most Worshipful Grand Master recommended the appointment of the following as our Grand Representatives to the Grand Lodge concerned:

Alpina, Switzerland .V.W. Bro. William C. Birt.

South Carolina ....R.W. Bro. Charles R. Sayer,
Vice-M.W. Bro. H. L. Adolph—Deceased.

Wisconsin .....V.W. Bro. William J. Edwards,
Vice-V.W. Bro. Alex. Little—Deceased.

Quebec .....R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters,
Vice-W. Bro. J. Thompson Black—Deceased.

York G.L. Mexico ..R.W. Bro. M. A. Nitikman,
Vice-R.W. Bro. B. Parkinson—Deceased.

Cuba .....W. Bro. J. Morgan Davies,
Vice-V.W. Bro. George Syme—Resigned.

Indiana .....R.W. Bro. Sidney A. Wood,
Vice-W. Bro. I. L. Mitchell—Resigned.

New Jersey .....V.W. Bro. W. G. Corbett,
Vice-W. Bro. Henry Burke—Deceased.

The Annual Proceedings were prepared as soon as possible after the close of the Grand Lodge Sessions and distributed, together with all other Official Notices.

Our thanks go out to the Grand Jurisdictions and other Masonic friends for the Masonic Publications sent to the Grand Secretary's Office.

Without intruding on the report of our Committee on Fraternal Dead, we wish to express our sympathy with Sister Grand Jurisdictions who have lost, through death, their Grand Secretaries during the past year, in the persons of:

Grand Lodge of Maryland.....R.W. Bro. Harry C. Mueller
Grand Lodge of Massachusetts..M.W. Bro. Frederick W. Hamilton
Grand Lodge of Norway.....R.W. Bro. Eivind Lewig-Hansen
Grand Lodge of Paraiba (Brazil) R.W. Bro. Jose Calisto C. Nobrega

It was a great pleasure to accompany our M.W. Grand Master on his Official Visits to a series of very successful Masonic District Meetings throughout our Jurisdiction. I extend to our M.W. Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers, my sincere appreciation for the kindness and consideration shown me, especially during my enforced absence from the Office.

To the Secretaries of our Constituent Lodges for their continued assistance during the year, I also express my thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. G. Russell

Grand Secretary.

On motion of R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), seconded by R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), the report was referred to the Committee on Grand Secretary's Report.

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master,
Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Herewith I beg to submit the following duly audited statements covering the various accounts in connection with the Grand Lodge finances, as at the 30th of March, 1940:

Balance Sheet—General Fund.

Income and Expenditure—General Fund.

Receipts and Disbursements—General Fund.

Accounts Receivable—General Fund.

Detail Miscellaneous Expenditure—General Fund.

Balance Sheet—Benevolent Endowment Fund and Beneficiary Fund.

Receipts—Benevolent Endowment Fund and Beneficiary Fund.

Disbursements to Beneficiaries—Benevolent Endowment Fund and Beneficiary Fund.

All bonds owned by Grand Lodge are fully registered. They have been inspected by the Auditor and found to be in order.

Fraternally submitted,

ALEX. BURGESS,
Grand Treasurer.

April 2nd, 1940.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., Winnipeg, Manitoba.

We desire to report that we have audited the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 30th, 1940, and in connection submit the following Financial Statements:
General Fund:

Exhibit "A". Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "B". Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Exhibit "C". Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.
Schedule "1". Accounts Receivable.
Schedule "2". Details of Miscellaneous Expenditure.

Benevolent Endowment Fund and Beneficiary Fund:

Exhibit "D". Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "E". Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Exhibit "F". Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.
Schedule "3". Details of Cash Receipts.
Schedule "4". Statement of Beneficiary Fund.
Schedule "5". Mortgage Loans, Interest, Taxes and Insurance, etc. Receivable Benevolent Endowment Fund.

Cash in Bank:

The balances at Bank were confirmed by certificates obtained by us direct from the Bank.

Investments:

The securities representing the investments were inspected by us and found in order.

All Bonds and Debentures are fully registered in the name of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

The Interest due on the Province of Alberta Debentures is in default four years.

Yours truly,

ADAM ARMSTRONG & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

Exhibit "A"

BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL FUND
As at March 30th, 1940

ASSETS

Current:		
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce	$ 4,252.08	
Cash in Hand (Petty)	16.32	
Accounts Receivable (See Schedule "1")	1,129.66	
		$ 5,398.06
Inventories:		
Supplies and Stock	$ 3,128.28	
Valued at		1.00
Equipment:		
Furniture and Fixtures	$ 881.00	
Regalia	850.00	
Library and Fixtures	1,200.00	
	$ 2,931.00	
Valued at		1.00
		$ 5,400.06

LIABILITIES

Surplus (See Exhibit "B")	$ 5,400.06

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 30th, 1940, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 30th, 1940.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ADAM ARMSTRONG & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 2nd, 1940.

Exhibit "B"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended March 30th, 1940

INCOME

Dues	$ 9,284.50
Initiations	392.00
M.M. Certificates	444.00
P.M. Certificates	73.00
L.M. Certificates	89.00
L.M. Fees	450.00
Dispensations	72.00
	$10.804.50

EXPENDITURE

Salaries	$ 4,010.00	
Rent	1,000.00	
Postage and Stamp Tax	265.13	
Stationery and Office Supplies	236.68	
Regalia Grand Master	280.00	
Expense Grand Master	500.00	
Insurance	174.95	
M.M. Certificates	51.84	
L.M. Certificates	29.70	
Masonic Research and Educational Fund.	91.64	
Library Maintenance	1,103.15	
Jewel P.G.M.	20.00	
Supplies (For Sale)	722.30	
Exchange	25.30	
Miscellaneous (See Schedule "2" for Details)	1,895.56	
		$10,406.25
Net Operating Profit		398.25
Library—Alterations and Moving	$ 1,285.75	
Library—Furnishing and Shelving	515.33	
		1,801.08
Net Deficit for Year		$ 1,402.83
Surplus as at March 31st, 1939		6,802.89
Surplus as at March 30th, 1940		$ 5,400.06

Exhibit "C"

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended March 30th, 1940

RECEIPTS

Subordinate Lodges		$12,295.55
Cash Sales—Supplies, etc.		20.65
Exchange		3.60
Total Receipts		$12,319.80
Cash in Bank, April 1st, 1939	$ 5,531.44	
Cash in Hand, April 1st, 1939	25.00	
		5,556.44
		$17,876.24

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries		$4,010.00	
Rent		1,000.00	
Postage and Stamp Tax		265.15	
Stationery and Office Supplies		236.68	
Regalia Grand Master		280.00	
Expense Grand Master		500.00	
Insurance		174.95	
M.M. Certificates		51.84	
L.M. Certificates		29.70	
Masonic Research and Educational Fund		91.64	
Library—Maintenance		1,103.15	
Library—Alterations and Moving	$1,285.75		
Library—Furnishings and Shelving	515.33		
		1,801.08	
Jewel P.G.M.		20.00	
Supplies (For Sale)		1,669.21	
Trust Fund (Life Members' Fees)		450.00	
Exchange		28.90	
Miscellaneous (See Schedule "2" for Details)		1,895.56	
			$13,607.84
Cash in Bank, March 30th, 1940		4,252.08	
Cash in Hand, March 30th, 1940		16.32	
			4,268.40
			$17,876.24

Schedule "1"

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
GENERAL FUND
As at March 30th, 1940

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount
1.	Prince Rupert's	$ 4.00
2.	Lisgar	112.52
3.	Ancient Landmark	165.00
4.	St. John's	33.00
8.	King Solomon	7.40
10.	Northern Light	1.00
12.	Stonewall	7.00
13.	Belmont	.75
14.	Prince of Wales	50.00
15.	Corinthian	37.20
27.	Glenwood	2.90
29.	Carberry	33.00
40.	Deloraine	5.30
51.	Treherne	20.00
52.	Hartney	67.85
54.	Oriental	12.15
62.	Russell	4.00
64.	Composite	.35
71.	Crystal	2.40
77.	Napinka	51.15
82.	Cypress	64.45
87.	Rathwell	1.00
90.	Midlothian	2.50
92.	Shoal Lake	.54
93.	King Edward	3.82
94.	Hiram	.40
101.	Binscarth	160.50
103.	Crescent	4.00
105.	Prince Arthur	1.18
106.	Strathclair	.75
111.	Acacia	.70
112.	Ophir	1.10
114.	"The Assiniboine"	19.00
117.	Strathcona	3.00
118.	Mound	5.40
122.	Roblin	.50
123.	Transcona	1.00
124.	The Pas	.60
125.	Patricia	10.25
126.	Favel	16.00
	Forward	$ 912.76

Schedule "1"

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE—GENERAL FUND (Continued)

As at March 30th, 1940

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount
	Forward	$ 912.76
128.	Victory	4.00
131.	Kildonan	.05
136.	Capital	2.10
138.	Windsor	164.05
140.	Meridan	4.00
141.	Tuscan	11.90
143.	Mt. Sinai	5.30
145.	Sturgeon Creek	.50
146.	Fidelity	.50
147.	Jubilee	4.90
150.	Cartwright	2.90
151.	The Dormer	2.00
155.	Carman	22.60
U.D.	Manitouwapa	.70
		$1,138.26

Credits

49.	Temple	$1.00	
104.	Reston	4.10	
115.	Rivers	50	
133.	McCreary	3.00	
			8.60
			$1,129.66

Schedule "2"

DETAILS OF MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended March 30th, 1940

Particulars	Amount
Proceedings	$ 641.52
Grand Lodge Communication	425.15
Audit	150.00
Telephones and Telegraph	121.14
Travelling	114.20
Flowers	61.85
Christmas Cards	58.32
Masonic Relief Association	52.01
List of Lodges	48.84
Repairs and Renewals	31.85
Warning Circulars	23.76
City Directory	21.60
Safety Deposit Box	15.00
Typewriter Inspection	11.50
Amendments to Constitution	9.72
Memoriam Cards	6.48
Certificate (Grand Master)	5.67
Miscellaneous	96.95
	$1,895.56

Exhibit "D"

BALANCE SHEET BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND
As at March 30th, 1940

ASSETS

Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce				$3,999.40
Investments:				
Mortgage Loans		$12,037.05		
Mortgage Interest Unpaid		1,823.24		
Mortgage, Taxes, Insurance & Legal Advanced		5,118.64		
Par Value			$18,978.93	
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$100,500.00	$ 92,701.25		
Greater Winnipeg Water District Debentures	16,000.00	16,045.00		
Province of Saskatchewan Debentures	21,000.00	21,000.00		
Province of Alberta Debentures	10,000.00	10,000.00		
Province of British Columbia Debentures	15,000.00	14,955.00		
Point Grey Debentures	10,000.00	9,925.00		
Point Grey Interest Accd.		150.68		
Dominion of Canada Bonds	47,000.00	46,595.00		
Canadian National Railway Bonds	8,000.00	8,000.00		
			219,371.93	
	$227,500.00			238,350.86
Real Estate:				
174 Perth Avenue			1,527.35	
191 Ethelbert Street			5,567.95	
1025 Grosvenor Avenue			4,506.92	
926 Jessie Avenue			3,056.94	
299 Waverley Street			11,088.90	
275 Harvard Avenue			9,683.92	
				35,431.98
				$277,782.24

LIABILITIES

Surplus (See Exhibit "E")	$277,782.24
	$277,782.24

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 30th, 1940, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 30th, 1940.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ADAM ARMSTRONG & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 2nd, 1940.

Exhibit "E"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND

For the Year Ended March 30th, 1940

INCOME

Interest—Bonds and Debentures	$10,004.87
Interest—Mortgages	713.88
Life Members' Fees	450.00
Donations Lodges	1,088.15
Profit on Exchange of Bonds	450.00
	$12,706.90

EXPENDITURE

Beneficiary Fund (See Schedule "4")	$6,333.35	
Loss on Loan No. 25	1,279.57	
Exchange	6.40	
Tax on Bonds	3.00	
		$ 7,622.32
Net Income for Year		5,084.58
Surplus as at March 31st, 1939		272,697.66
Surplus as at March 30th, 1940		$277,782.24

Exhibit "F"

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND

For the Year Ended March 30th, 1940

RECEIPTS

Total Receipts (See Schedule "3")	$27,970.23
Cash in Bank April 1st, 1939	1,328.66
	$29,298.89

DISBURSEMENTS

Bonds Purchased		$5,000.00	
Bonds Exchanged		9,925.00	
Accrued Interest on Bonds Exchanged		150.68	
Tax on Bonds Exchanged		3.00	
Beneficiary Fund		6,333.35	
Mortgage, Loans, Taxes, Insurance & Legal		1,696.18	
Real Estate, Taxes, Insurance, Repairs and Collection Commissions:			
174 Perth Avenue	$ 30.41		
191 Ethelbert Street	118.39		
1025 Grosvenor Avenue	436.75		
926 Jessie Avenue	331.35		
299 Waverley Street	218.53		
275 Harvard Avenue	1,049.45		
		$2,184.88	
Exchange		6.40	
Total Disbursements			25,299.49
Cash in Bank March 30th, 1940			3,999.40
			$29,298.89

Schedule "3"

DETAILS OF CASH RECEIPTS
BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND
BENEFICIARY FUND
For the Year Ended March 30th, 1940

Mortgage Principal:		
Loan No. 25.	$ 875.00	
30.	200.00	
37.	355.60	
38.	100.00	
40.	194.68	
		$ 1,725.28
Mortgage Interest:		
Loan No. 2.	$ 143.83	
5.	102.40	
12.	350.00	
30.	57.00	
37.	33.00	
38.	100.50	
40.	130.32	
		917.05
Mortgage Taxes and Insurance, etc.:		
Loan No. 5.		97.60
Rents Received (Property):		
174 Perth Avenue	$ 242.75	
191 Ethelbert Street	480.00	
1025 Grosvenor Avenue	455.00	
926 Jessie Avenue	362.50	
299 Waverley Street	900.00	
275 Harvard Avenue	507.00	
		2,947.25
Bonds Exchanged		10.000.00
Profit on Bonds Exchanged		450.00
Interest Bonds and Debentures		10,294.90
Donations		1,088.15
Life Members' Fees		450.00
		$27,970.23

Schedule "4"

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND

For the Year Ended March 30th, 1940

No.	Name of Lodge	On Account of	Amount
1.	Prince Rupert's	J. E. B.	$ 150.00
1.	Prince Rupert's	Mrs. A. S.	30.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. A. L.	40.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	W. P.	84.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. McC.	180.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. D. O. C.	120.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. V. A.	10.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. C. J. T.	50.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. C. W.	180.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. J. R.	120.00
4.	St. John's	C. R. McL.	120.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. F. J. B.	60.00
10.	Northern Light	Mrs. E. E. B.	90.00
11.	Gladstone	Mrs. M. C. L.	75.00
11.	Gladstone	Mrs. L. B. M.	45.00
12.	Stonewall	Mrs. Mc.F.	240.00
12.	Stonewall	Mrs. G. W.	120.00
25.	Ionic	Mrs. E. E. D.	180.00
25.	Ionic	Mrs. J. L. MacQ.	120.00
27.	Glenwood	H. N.	100.00
27.	Glenwood	J. C.	180.00
40.	Deloraine	Mrs. M. J.	90.00
40.	Deloraine	Mrs. G. B.	230.00
40.	Deloraine	Mrs. G. R. A.	180.00
43.	Lebanon	A. M.	165.00
43.	Lebanon	Mrs. H. W.	120.00
48.	Glenboro	Mrs. C. T.	120.00
49.	Temple	Mrs. C. H.	20.00
62.	Russell	A. M.	180.00
63.	Holland	Mrs. B. L. S.	180.00
63.	Holland	Mrs. E. F.	59.90
68.	Vermillion	Mrs. W. H. L.	120.00
92.	Shoal Lake	Mrs. I. J.	120.00
93.	King Edward	H. H. J.	240.00
93.	King Edward	A. H.	60.00
94.	Hiram	Mrs. F. G. H.	120.00
100.	Robbie Burns	W. E. J. B.	80.00
100.	Robbie Burns	D. MacI.	65.00
102.	Miniota	J. P.	45.00
104.	Reston	Mrs. A. McI.	30.00
106.	Strathclair	R. E.	161.45
111.	Acacia	Mrs. H. H.	180.00
	Forward		$4,860.35

Schedule "4"

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND (Continued)

For the Year Ended March 30th, 1940

No.	Name of Lodge	No.	Name of Lodge	
	Forward			$4,860.35
112.	Ophir		Mrs. B. R. T.	300.00
113.	Tweed		Mrs. P. McD.	10.00
114.	"The Assiniboine"		Mrs. A. C.	60.00
119.	Norwood		Mrs. V. H.	120.00
120.	Penza		Mrs. M. M. M.	120.00
121.	St. James		Mrs. J. McG.	180.00
131.	Kildonan		Miss A. P. S.	60.00
136.	Capitol		Mrs. E.	220.00
144.	Fort Osborne		Mrs. L. F. M. B.	50.00
154.	Pine Falls		Mrs. A. G.	144.00
43.	Lebanon		Miss B. T.	144.00
1.	Prince Rupert's		J. S. S.	20.00
106.	Strathclair		Mrs. E. H.	25.00
8.	King Solomon		J. H. L.	20.00
				$6,333.35

Schedule "5"

MORTGAGE LOANS, INTEREST, TAXES AND INSURANCE ETC., RECEIVABLE

BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

As at March 30th, 1940

	Principal	Interest	Taxes Insurance Legal, Etc.
Loan No. 2	$ 1,700.00	$ 345.90	$ 44.25
Loan No. 5	1,400.00		13.89
Loan No. 12	1,700.00	73.98	117.37
Loan No. 30	800.00		
Loan No. 35	2.500.00	1,403.36	4,943.13
Loan No. 37	334.40		
Loan No. 38	1,600.00		
Loan No. 40	2,002.65		
	$12,037.05	$1,823.24	$5,118.64

On motion of R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3), seconded by W. Bro. J. Morgan Davies (25), the Reports of the Grand Treasurer and Auditor were received and adopted.

GRAND CHAPLAIN'S ADDRESS

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

My first word to you, Most Worshipful Sir, and Brethren, must be one of deep appreciation of your gesture of interest and friendship to me at the last communication of this Grand Lodge, in electing me to the office of Grand Chaplain of this Grand Lodge. Apparently you were not aware of the risk you took in so doing, nor were you cognizant of the tremendous responsibility you assumed by your unanimous choice of a Grand Chaplain. I thank you for the honour then conferred on me, and for the privilege of serving our Masonic Institution.

The duties of the Grand Chaplain are somewhat difficult to discover, but I am happy to report to you now, that whenever I have been enlightened by the great luminaries of our Grand Lodge —the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, and the Right Worshipful, the Grand Secretary—I have tried to walk in that light, and to do my bit. It has been a joy to be among you.

Some time ago, I discovered that at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, the Grand Chaplain was expected to address the brethren. One wonders whether this is merely a gesture of recognition of the office of Grand Chaplain, or does it indicate that the Grand Lodge is sincere in its desire to hear the Grand Chaplain present some subject of Masonic content for the meditation of the brethren. The latter interpretation of your mind seems to be the only worthwhile thing to do, and I have no doubt, in due time, I shall be able to make the discovery as to what is in your mind in this matter.

In every lodge room, you will recall, at least those of you who have not been too long absent from your lodge, there hangs suspended over the altar, a Sacred Symbol. As it is centrally placed in the lodge room, it reminds us that God is the very heart and core of all our Masonic life and work. It may not be out of place, then, to focus our thought on the subject of God.

Every man thinks about God, if he thinks at all. Certainly every Mason should do so, since his attention is frequently directed to God. It is the most interesting of all subjects. And every man has his own pictured idea in his mind of the nature of God, these ideas or conceptions, of course, being more or less imperfect. There are some aspects of our subject, however, about which few of us think very much or very deeply, mainly, I think, because they are

difficult for our minds to grasp. Two of these aspects—eternity and infinity—are of such unquestioned importance, that we should take time to discuss together.

We are told in the Scriptures that God is infinite and eternal. But what is the measure of eternity? And what is the extent of infinity? These two words, so elusive in their meaning, somehow just go together. They suggest a subject too vast for our mortal human minds to grasp, for the human mind is a finite thing, and eternity is forever infinite.

An illustration may be of some help to us here. Picture to yourself a mighty mountain, composed entirely of fine sand. And suppose some fabulous bird were given the task of moving that mountain to some distant continent or country, say Australia. Say it took a year for the round trip, and the bird may carry only one grain of sand at a time. Imagine how long such a task would take. If the bird began its flights when Columbus discovered this continent, it would just about now have moved a small cupful of sand. How long then, until the whole huge mountain should be removed? It suggests to us an appalling stretch of time—yet that space of time would not have made the smallest impression on eternity. Why? Because time is no part of eternity. They are entirely different things.

Then, what is time? The best definition was given by a small boy, who said, "Time is what keeps everything from happening at once." There is no better way to describe it. Time is a space between events. And what is eternity? A meditative mind, gives this definition, "Eternity is a place where it is always now." We have here a very good way to view it, if we are to understand, even in a small degree this problem of eternity. The hardest part of it all to grasp is this: "Eternity never began." We can imagine something which goes on to eternity from a definite starting point, but there is no starting point to eternity. It never began, and that fact more than anything else makes eternity so incomprehensible to us. But we reason, "it must have started sometime, else how could it exist?" Anything to exist must begin at some time. But our reasoning here is faulty, because we are confusing eternity and time. True it is that anything that exists in time must have a beginning at some time. Eternity never began, and can never end. It is always now. God was never born and never dies. He is from everlasting to everlasting, God. The greatest leader that ever lived. His soul in tune with the Eternal, said to the Jews: "Before Abraham was, I am." Note He did not say, Before Abraham was, I was, but I am. He realized the eternal now. And blessed indeed is mankind that this is so, for as Isaiah, hundreds of years before the dawn of the Christian era, and we, hundreds of years after it, can write in the glad words of his prophecy, "Unto us a child is

born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and His name shall be called wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, the Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." And again, "He is despised and rejected of men: a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: . . . . and with His stripes we are healed." (Isa. 53:3-5). Isaiah could see it and we can see it: He by the gift of prophecy and we by the gift of history, and better still by our own experience.

That same word "now" is one of the great words of the Bible. Paul shouts, "Behold NOW is the accepted time: behold NOW is the day of salvation!" "Beloved NOW are we the sons of God." And in the light of these things, that word "now" should become supremely important to us. Let us link ourselves up with eternity. Let us keep this word "eternity" more prominently before our minds. The past, except as experience, is of no use to us: the future is not ours to use, but let us use the great forever "NOW" to the fullest of our capabilities. As Elijah said, "Choose you this day whom ye will serve".

"NOW" is also the sure cure for that old dragon—worry. In the sacred Book one has said, "Take no thought for the morrow", and His clearer meaning as expressed in the original was, "Take no anxious thought for the morrow."

"Build a little fence of trust
Around Today:
Fill the space with loving work,
And therein stay.
Look not through the sheltering bars
Upon tomorrow;
God will help thee bear what comes,
Of joy or sorrow."

The other question we must face is, what is infinity? What is conveyed to your mind when someone speaks of infinite distance or infinite size? The vast spaces of the heavens, for instance. Let us consider some of the measurements we have made in that direction. These measurements are based on the speed of light. We know that light travels at the tremendous pace of 186,000 miles per second, or over seven times around the world in a single second. Even so, it takes 8 minutes for it to cover the 93,000,000 miles from the sun to the earth. Astronomers tell us that there are stars as far distant from the earth that the light from them now reaching us, started from them at the time our Saviour walked the hills of Judea. Now the distance to such a star is so vast that our earthly mile is useless as a unit of measurement, so that the astronomer uses a unit called the light-year, that is, the distance light travels in a year. There being 31,536,000 seconds in a year,

then a light year is equivalent to 5,865,696,000,000 miles. And so a star 2000 light-years distant from the earth, would be at a distance of 11,731,392,000,000,000 miles. And even that great distance, astronomically speaking, is not an unusually great distance. Now such figures as these are too vast for our minds to grasp. They just do not convey any intelligible meaning to us. They simply leave us stunned. And when our astronomers tell us that they have only as yet reached the fringe of the subject, we begin to realize how small and puny a thing man is, and how tiny and insignificant this little speck of dust on which he lives is. And then comes home to us very forcefully the realization of how wondrous a Being our Heavenly Father is, who created "all the host of Heaven and rules all with a loving, guiding hand—and who sees the sparrow fall."

It is impossible almost to think of so great a Creator, who has yet so personal a love for each individual one of us, without being driven to the conclusion that here is the true infinity. Nothing that our finite minds can conceive would be adequate to rule so mightily, and yet in such loving details, so vast a creation. Therefore, God must be what the Bible declares Him to be—Spirit. "God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth." "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts, Saith the Lord."

So while in the material state we cannot hope to know God as He is—for He says, "There shall no man see My face and live"—yet we have the precious assurance that though "now we see as through a glass, darkly, but then face to face." Again, if all these wonders belong to the material universe, what must those of the spiritual kingdom be? For He says, "Eye hath not seen, nor the ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things that God has prepared for those who love Him." Then again, and most striking—"Neither shall they say, Lo, here! or lo, there! for behold, the Kingdom of God is within you." And we know that that Kingdom is a reality, for Jesus said, "I go to prepare a place for you." A place in eternity: a place in the eternal NOW! This is just another of the numberless proofs of God's love. For He is love. It is His name. It is His very nature.

But again, one can say, "If our God—the God of Masonry—is so great and self-sufficient a Being, why does He bother to create and rule so stupendous a creation? Why not live alone in solitary grandeur?" The reason can only be this: God, being love, love is inherently creative, and must express itself. To prove the existence of love, there must be a manifestation of love. The father childless, unexpressed, would be no father, and so, since he must express Himself, such manifestation of an infinite God must of necessity be an infinite creation.

And now as we ponder these things, these thoughts must come vividly to our minds: How great should be our humility: with what reverence should we bow before so wondrous a God: with what love, wonder and adoration should we regard Him, who so loved the world—this little spinning mote of a world of ours—that He gave His only begotten Son! And with what zeal should we, like that Son, be continually "about our Father's business!" Why did God create man? Just for His own honor and glory. Let us then fulfill our destiny as Freemasons, conscious of what we are, in fullest recognition of what we claim to be, and with an increasing understanding of that sacred symbol, suspended above our altar. "Lord God of hosts, be with us yet." Let the thought of Thee be ever the foremost thought in our minds, that we may glorify, each in his own small way, that Name which was before the world began.

P. T. PILKEY,
Grand Chaplain.

R.W. Bro. Geo. R. Calvert moved a resolution of thanks and appreciation to our Grand Chaplain for his very fine address, which was heartily approved by Grand Lodge.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

JURISPRUDENCE AND APPEALS

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals wish to report that during the past year their duties have not been arduous, only one question having arisen which required attention in the matter of a Notice of Motion to amend Section 41 of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge. Said Notice of Motion has had the attention of your Committee, and wish to suggest that the amendment to said Section be in accordance with the attached amendment.

Your Committee desires to commend the fine spirit of service and co-operation which has been evident throughout the Craft in

this Grand Jurisdiction in the year which has past, made evident by the fact that the Grand Master has not deemed it advisable to make any rulings as affecting the Craft.

In conclusion, we wish to offer congratulations to the M.W. Grand Master and to the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge for the harmonious relations which have existed during the year which has past.

Fraternally submitted,

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Chairman, Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals.

Notice of Motion by Wor. Bro. A. Adams—Ft. Garry Lodge No. 130, G.R.M., A.F. & A.M. That Sec. 41 of the Grand Lodge Constitution be amended to read as follows:

That the Past Masters, Masters and Sitting Wardens of the Lodges from each District who are in attendance at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, and are present at the District Meeting, shall choose by Ballot a District Deputy Grand Master.

Nominations for such District Deputy Grand Master must be in writing signed by a Grand Lodge member of the District concerned, and must be filed with the Grand Secretary not later than 12 o'clock noon on the Thursday preceding the opening of the Annual Communication, at which time the Grand Secretary shall declare the nominations closed.

A list of nominations shall be posted in one or more conspicuous places at or near the place provided for registration.

Ballot papers shall be distributed to those who are present at the District Meeting and the procedure shall be the same as that now in use for electing other Grand Lodge officers, and provided for in sections 36 and 37 of the Constitution.

The member chosen shall be declared elected when the choice is confirmed by the Grand Master elect. If not confirmed, or the member declines to act, the Grand Master shall ask that another choice be made.

The Board of General Purposes, Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M., Masonic Temple, Winnipeg.

Dear Sirs:

In accordance with your instructions, your Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals has examined the Notice of Motion to amend Section 41 of the Constitution of Grand Lodge. Said Notice of Motion has been submitted in accordance with Section 237; i.e. that the sixty days' notice of proposed amendments of the Constitution has been followed out and the same submitted in writing to the Grand Secretary.

In the opinion of your Committee the amendment as presented is impracticable. The amendment as embodied in the Notice of Motion does not with sufficient clarity set out the purpose intended to be attained, and your committee recommends that the amendment be re-cast in the manner indicated in the attached draft amendment.

The amendment as submitted embodies in the first paragraph of the proposed new section the words: "and are present at the District Meeting."

Under the constitution only one District meeting is provided for, namely the Annual District meeting referred to in Section 7 of the Constitution. This meeting is a meeting which must be held within the District, and therefore could not refer to a District meeting held at the time of the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

Present Section 41 does not require the holding of a district meeting, but there is no doubt that a district meeting should be held for each district at the time of the annual communication of Grand Lodge and for this reason the Committee on Credentials and Elections is required under the Committee's draft amendment to make its report to the presiding officer at a Meeting of the members of each district to be held before the close of the evening session of the second day of the communication.

Under the amendment proposed by W. Bro. Adams only those members of a District who are present at the meeting held during the Communication of Grand Lodge are entitled to vote.

It would seem that if the section is amended it ought to be amended in a way as nearly consistent as possible with the provisions of the Constitution relating to the election of other officers and that therefore members of the District who are in attendance at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge should have the right to ballot even if they are not present at the District Meeting.

Greater clarity and uniformity will, your committee believes, be brought about by the making of Sections 28 to 37 both inclusive, of the Constitution apply to the choosing of the District Deputy Grand Master.

Yours fraternally,

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Chairman, Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals.

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

BE IT and it is hereby enacted that Section 41 of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons as adopted at the Sixty-Third Annual Communication of that body held in the City of Winnipeg, on the 8th and 9th days of June, A.L. 5938, A.D. 1938, be and the same is hereby amended by substitution therefor the following:

(41) That the Past Masters, Masters and Sitting Wardens of the Lodges from each District who are in attendance at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge shall choose by ballot a District Deputy Grand Master.

Nominations for such District Deputy Grand Master must be in writing signed by a member of Grand Lodge who is also a member of a Lodge situate in the District for which such nomination is made, and must be filed with the Grand Secretary not later than twelve o'clock noon on Thursday preceding the opening of the Annual Communication at which time the Grand Secretary shall declare the nominations closed. Before accepting any nomination the Grand Secretary shall ascertain that the person nominated is duly qualified in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution to hold the office of District Deputy Grand Master. The provisions of Sections 28 to 37 inclusive of both Sections shall insofar as the same are applicable govern the said nomination and the voting for and choosing of the District Deputy Grand Masters.

After the Committee has ascertained the District Deputy Grand Master who has been elected for each District, it shall prepare a Report in writing showing:

(1) The Districts for which only one member has been nominated and the name of the new member so nominated.

(2) The District or Districts for which more than one member has been nominated and the name of the member for each District who has received a majority of the votes cast for such District.

The said Report shall be presented to Grand Lodge as soon as possible after the opening of the evening session of the second day of the Communication.

The member in each District so chosen shall be declared elected when the choice is confirmed by the Grand Master elect. If not confirmed or the member so chosen declines to act. the Grand Master shall ask that another choice be made and shall issue a Dispensation for the holding of a District meeting in the District concerned, at a time and place to be stated in such Dispensation, for the purpose of making such choice and at such District meeting nominations may be made and a District Deputy Grand Master chosen for such District by a majority vote by ballot of the members of Grand Lodge of such District present at such District meeting.

On motion of W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer (10), the Report of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals was received and adopted.

Moved by W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer (10), "That the Constitution of this Grand Lodge be amended in accordance with the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals." Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

According to our recently revised Constitution the duties of your Grand Historian are set forth in the following paragraph: "To compile a record of all matters relating to the current History of Grand Lodge, under the direction of the Grand Master."

This being the first occasion upon which such a record has been required, I find it impossible to follow the path laid down by a predecessor in office. Furthermore, history being a narration of facts and events, we of this Grand Lodge are accustomed to receive in our Grand Master's Address such a narration covering local happenings during his term of office. It would therefore seem redundant for me to repeat the events of the year as these will be ably considered by the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Doubtless this first report from a Grand Historian in our Grand Lodge will form a precedent for others to follow in the years to come, however, if any successor in office looks for direction from this feeble attempt to break new ground, I would suggest he strike out new trails which in the Masonic sense beckon the adventurer on the look-out for the forgotten stories of yesteryear.

The institution of our youngest Lodge under the name of "MANITOUWAPA LODGE" suggests the first topic of this report. The intention behind the choice of this name was to perpetuate the original Indian word from which the name of our Province (Manitoba) is derived.

Now, there has been much controversy over the supposed meaning of the word. As far as the spelling goes, one discovers so many variants in the journals of the old fur traders and explorers, that little surprise can be expected from what we meet as we delve into the English meaning of the Indian word. To cite a few of the many spellings will doubtless interest the student of Manitoba affairs, John MacDonell, of the North West Company, in 1793 used "MANITOU-A-BARAC". A few years later Henry (1804) spells the name "MANITOUAUBANC", and two years later he spells it "MANINTHOUOBANC." Later, we find students and writers of our time quoting from maps and other sources the following: "MANITAUBOS" . . . "MANITOBAN" . . . "MANETHOWAUBANC" . . . "MANITHOUABANG".

Some writers give the name a Cree origin, others an Ojibway origin, personally, I am inclined to the idea that it was a name

brought to the English traders by the tribe of Indians who peopled the district (Lake Manitoba), in the very early days. Perhaps the opinion of Abbe Dugas ("The Canadian West") is the clearest available to us and it is quoted herewith:

> "The name Manitoba was given to it by the Assiniboine Indians, who lived along its shores at the time of the discovery of that country. The explorers got the names of the lakes and rivers along their route from the Indians; they wrote them down in their diaries just as they heard them pronounced, or else translated them into French.
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> "In our days it has been claimed and sustained that the name Manitoba comes from two Indian words MANITO WAPAN. This is, however, not at all certain and no person could establish the contention in a satisfactory manner. I would like to know by what transmutation, MANITO WAPAN could be changed into MANITOBA. It was not the Saulteaux Indians, themselves, that could have changed the name which belonged to their own language; certainly they would have continued to pronounce it MANITO WAPAN.
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> "Might it have been the French that made the change? Not at all likely, for they retained a great number of Indian names that were harder to pronounce than MANITO WAPAN.
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> "The Indians, that inhabited the shores of Lake Manitoba, and the banks of the Assiniboine River at the time of the discovery, were of the Assiniboine tribe, whose language resembles that of the Sioux. There were the MATA TOBA, the HIC TOBA, and the TI TOBA Tribes. The terminal 'TOBA' in their language means 'prairie' —and the—and the word 'mi ne' means water. MI NE SOTA means Yellow Water; MI NE APOLIS means City of Waters.
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> " 'MINE TOBA' means water of the prairies, or else Lake of the Prairies. The English who came into the country after the French, pronounced 'MINE' like 'MY NI'; hence Manitoba. La Verendrye — in his diary — calling Manitoba 'the Lake of the Prairies' did nothing else than simply translate the Indian name.
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> "The name is of Assiniboine origin, for the country there was inhabited by the Assiniboines".

This reference has a twofold object. In the first place it may provide a dim light to the brother seeking information as to the

origin of the name of our Province and it also tells, vaguely it is true, the reason why our brethren chose the name for their new Lodge.

A second episode in connection with Masonic history in Manitoba suggests itself at this time. This deals with Freemasonry in Portage la Prairie. When the writer was engaged upon his work "Freemasonry in Manitoba" there was an item of information which at the time had not come under his observation. Since the publication of our history, the writings of a local historian dealing principally with the Portage la Prairie district has been added to my shelves. From this volume, published in 1890, we learn these facts.

> "On the 19th of February 1878, under a dispensation granted by the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, was organized Assiniboine Lodge, No. 7, A.F. & A.M. On the 12th June a charter was obtained, the following being the Charter members: Roderick McQuaig, W.M.; J. A. E. Drummond, S.W.; Charles H. House, J.W.; Robert Watson, Kenneth McKenzie, Sr., W. J. James, Richard D. Byres, Sam Buchanan, Wm. Sutherland, and Stephen H. Caswell. The members met for organization in a room above Campbell & Marlatt's store. The Building being braced with tie-rods which passed through from side to side, caused them considerable inconvenience in passing to and fro through the room, having to duck their heads to do so. Here they remained till more commodious premises were filled up for them above Wesbrook & Fairchild's implement warehouse, which was afterwards destroyed by fire. With the increase of population came Brother Masons, unacquainted with the work of the Lodge, which was that of Ancient York. From a desire on the part of these for the formation of a lodge engaged in work with which they were more conversant, came the formation of Marquette Lodge No. 21, which was organized August 8th, 1882, also under a dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and which received its Charter February 16th, 1883, the Charter members being, John Boultbee, W.M.; W. H. Nelles, S.W.; J. B. Pewtress, J.W.; J. P. Young, D. Farquhar, H. A. Campbell, C. M. Caughill, R. H. Douglas, W. J. James, T. B. Miller, John Smith, H. J. Woodside, J. C. Ball, J. A. Stull, C. O. Chamberlain, Robert Watson and Thos. Bellamy.
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> "The Lodge met in a hall, specially fitted up for it, in the newly constructed Lafferty Block, possession of which was held by both Lodges conjointly. This building, with

many others, was moved from its original location on Main Street, to the Avenue during the moving craze which seized the town after the disastrous fires in the east end, but the Masons stood by their hall, which is still situated in the same building. With the decay of the boom, and the consequent decrease of the population, the growth of the Lodges, separately, was not satisfactory, and desire for union—which in all cases is strength—was matured amongst the members. The joint Committee of both Lodges, or the Fathers of Amalgamation, was composed of the following members: 'Assiniboine No. 7,' A. E. J. Durant, Joseph Taylor, H. A. Ritchie, H. S. Paterson and Wm. McQuaig. For 'Marquette Lodge No. 21', R. C. Brown, T. L. Newman, H. J. Woodside, F. B. Lundy, C. G. W. Matheson. The union was consumated in July, 1889, and a very enjoyable evening was spent by the members.

"Freemasonry in the Portage, however, dates further back than either of these. In 1866, a Lodge was formed under a dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Minnesota of which the late Charles Curtis, Charles H. House and Sandy Anderson were Charter members. This old Lodge met for some time in the upstairs of Charles House's saloon, an old log building demolished in 1884, standing a little north of the old Portage Hotel. The roof falling in, the Lodge was held afterwards at various places, as agreed upon, such as the houses of Curtis and Anderson. As the old members are all deceased or have left the place, little can be learned of its early work and progress.

"Charles Curtis, it will be remembered was one of the original members of old Northern Light Lodge of Red River days. He died very suddenly on 6th of August, 1874. The nearest Lodge at that early date was Winnipeg, but, it is interesting to read from the book from which the foregoing record has been taken the brief reference to what is probably the first Masonic funeral ceremony held west of Winnipeg.

"Being a prominent Freemason, the brothers of the Craft amongst whom were Charley Mair, Sandy Anderson and Charlie House, took charge of the remains and had them interred with Masonic rites at St. Mary's cemetary. Here they remained till 1884, when they were taken up and re-interred in our west end cemetery where a beautiful marble monument marks his last resting place.'."

These thumb nail sketches of our pioneer life add to the known story of our Craft in Manitoba—others suggest themselves to your Grand Historian. It is hoped to make additions to the record in future reports and with that in mind we are endeavoring to trace the Masonic connections and activities of some of the fur traders of the early days. That some of these men were members of the Craft is certain and even at this late date our endeavor is to find who they were and the Lodge affiliation they held.

Fraternally submitted,
WILLIAM DOUGLAS.

On motion of R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), seconded by R.W. Bro. Rev. G. L. Calvert (1), the report of the Grand Historian was received and adopted.

THE CONDITION OF FREEMASONRY

To the M.W., the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes, through its Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, begs to report as follows:

Your Committee has made a careful study of the condition of Craft in its jurisdiction and in this regard we are in a large measure dependent for our information upon Form No. 20, completed by the Secretaries, and Form No. 21 completed by the District Deputy Grand Masters. Your Committee wishes to pay tribute to the Lodge Secretaries who have taken pains in compilation of said Forms No. 20, but it is quite evident that in a great many cases the Secretaries did not realize just what was required in the way of answers, for necessary statistics were left wholly or partially unfilled. Your Committee feels that these defects were chiefly due to misunderstandings on the part of the Secretaries. In Form No. 20, one Lodge gives the following answers:

Annual Dues, Resident, $114.00. Non Resident, $66.00. Instead of giving the annual dues charged per member he gives the amount received from annual dues.

Again: Members in arrears, 4, total arreage, $24.00.
Members owing one year dues, 11, amounting to $66.00.
Members owing two years dues, 1, amounting to $24.00.

This does not make sense but it is one of the answers given. A number of Secretaries make these and similar errors.

In order to overcome the difficulty the Committee recommends that each Lodge be supplied with a sample Form No. 20 in which specimen answers have been completed to each question, this Form to be placed in the hands of the Secretary and to be retained in that office for reference from year to year, the idea being to give the Secretary a clear understanding of just what information is required in completing Form No. 20.

Your Committee compliments the Grand Lodge on the preparation of the new Form No. 20 and believes that every effort should now be made to have it serve its true purpose. The wording of the Form presupposes that the business and financial affairs of the Lodge are properly performed. That books are properly kept and audited each year by someone competent to do that work. In many cases, however, no item is completed in the way of assets or liabilities though from other parts of the Form it is quite evident that the Lodge has both. Notwithstanding the constitutional provision of a Bond for the Lodge Secretary, comparatively few of the country Lodges avail themselves of that protection. In one district of nine Lodges one with an income of $571.00, bonds its Secretary for$800.00, at a cost of $2.00 per year. The other eight with incomes varying from $170.00 to $2,165.00 have no such bonds. Five Districts have no Secretaries bonded. In one District three Lodges with incomes of $1,650.00; $2,058.00 and $3,047.00 respectively, report no Bond protection. One Lodge shows an income of $1,534.00 with a Secretary Bond of $500.00. Your Committee recommends the bonding of Secretaries for adequate amounts, as provided by Section No 132, Sub-section (M) of the Revised Constitution.

Most Lodges report what appears to be ample Fire Insurance. One, however, with a membership of over 500 and total assets of $50,000.00 reports $500.00 of Burglary Insurance, but no Fire Insurance. This is particularly strange since the 1939 proceedings show $10,500.00 of Insurance carried by this Lodge. Your Committe recommends that all Lodges carry adequate Insurance.

Form No. 21 is required to be filled out by the District Deputy Grand Master, one for each Lodge in his District. Here again in many cases questions are left wholly or in part unanswered. In one district six of the twenty-seven questions are left blank in almost every form. The space for General Remarks is left without

comment though it is intended to contain the very material required by your Committee in drafting its report.

In most cases the District Deputy Grand Master reports good work being done with praise for the officers. The recommendations given Lodges vary as follows: Visit active Lodges; Practice Degree Work; Start or renew Study Club Activity; Budget for Expense; Attend District Meeting; Attend Grand Lodge; Have papers delivered; Make use of Grand Lodge Library; Raise dues; Have Grand Lodge Proceedings read and studied; Study the Constitution; Practise Freemasonry without as well as within the Lodge; We are confident that the visit of the District Deputy Grand Master in most cases is, and in all cases can be made a decided benefit to the Lodge. Your Committee believes that every District Deputy Grand Master should in his report of an official visit show some evidence of his having done or said something to assist the Lodge.

ATTENDANCE AT GRAND LODGE

Your Committee finds that at the last Grand Lodge Regular Communication there were absent 34 Worshipful Masters; 50 Senior Wardens and 62 Junior Wardens, and that 25 Lodges were not represented and that in most cases insufficient or no reasons are given for that absence. We would impress upon all principal officers that it is their bounden duty to attend Grand Lodge and at their next Lodge Communication to report fully on the proceedings. This should be followed with a generous study of the book of Proceedings when published. Thus giving every member an acquaintance with and an interest in his own Grand Lodge and the Order at large. This duty should be brought to the attention of each officer when he consents to accept election to office.

In some cases a District Deputy Grand Master reports that new blood is needed in the Lodge because attendance at Lodge Meetings is poor, with the result that there is little or no interest displayed in the work. While your Committee realizes a certain number must be present in order to hold a meeting, numbers alone do not make for a successful and worthwhile gathering. If the members, particularly the officers, will faithfully attend and within as well as without the Lodge conduct themselves as they are admonished to do in the work, interest in attending Lodge Meetings will have been revived and the question of numbers will automatically solve itself.

So many questions in Form No. 21 are left wholly or partly unanswered by the District Deputy Grand Master as to satisfy the Committee that some District deputies do not realize their duties

nor the requirements of the office. Your Committee, therefore, recommends that a conference or school for District Deputies be held during or immediately following the Grand Lodge Communication at which should be present all District Deputy Grand Masters for the ensuing year. That at such conference there be displayed and distributed among the new District Deputies, Forms No. 21 with specimen answers in full. That considerations be given to a mid-term conference of District Deputies with the Grand Master, Grand Secretary and Committee on Condition of Freemasonry.

Your Committee notes that some District Deputy Grand Masters in their reports elaborate on the benevolent side. There is danger of our losing sight of the fact that ours is purely a fraternal society. Our benevolent acts are by choice and need not to be dwelt upon at length in reports to the exclusion of the fraternal.

The number of Study Clubs continues to diminish. District Deputies comment on the fact and report having recommended attention to be given the Clubs by Lodges. Your Committee believes that if the officers of a Lodge really will it and give the necessary attention to the subject a successful Study Club can be supported by any Lodge. It takes much real interest and patience but these abound in Freemasonry. Study clubs have proven to be of greatest value wherever one has received a fair trial and the Committee on Condition of Freemasonry feels that a real effort should be made by every Lodge to develop the plan.

It is noted that there are still some Lodges whose funds received from annual dues do not cover their ordinary running expenses. While this condition is improving each year, the Committee recommends that each and every Lodge work out a budgeting scheme which provides for ordinary expenditures to be met from amounts received from annual dues.

We note that in many cases the District Deputies report that they witnessed no degree work. We would again recommend that the Lodges be requested by the District Deputy to confer a degree on the occasion of his visit and if no candidate is available to use one of their members as a candidate.

It is noted with interest that the number of Lodges is increasing which own their premises either through direct ownership or indirectly through other Masonic bodies. In one District seven of the nine Lodges own their premises. Your Committee highly commends this practice, believing that the existence of a Masonic Temple adds to the prestige of Freemasonry in the Community and to the solidarity of the Order.

While the financial and statistical returns for the whole jurisdiction again show a loss in both members and funds on hand, the reduction is less each year. With the improvement in agricultural conditions in the Southern part of the Province, it may be expected that another year should see the Order in Manitoba showing a general increase. A true and detailed picture of these statistics might better come from the reports of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer. Notwithstanding financial and statistical losses the Committee on Condition of Freemasonry is pleased to report that the influence of the Order is increased throughout the Grand Jurisdiction.

The District Deputy Grand Masters have again stressed the value of Lodge visitations and it is commendable that this inspiring means of spreading the Gospel of Freemasonry is becoming more and more prevalent. Your Committee wishes to thank most heartily the District Deputy Grand Masters for the sacrifices they have made and the services they have rendered to the Lodges in their respective districts, the Grand Lodge and to the Order during the past year and in recognition of these services we take pleasure in recommending that the Rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be conferred upon each of the following:

Rt.W. Bro. J. C. Grant.....D.D.G.M. First Masonic District
Rt.W. Bro. W. M. Jackson.....D.D.G.M. Second Masonic District
Rt.W. Bro. G. O. Couch.....D.D.G.M. Third Masonic District
Rt.W. Bro. Edward Dow.....D.D.G.M. Fourth Masonic District
Rt.W. Bro. F. C. Barber.....D.D.G.M. Fifth Masonic District
Rt.W. Bro. W. J. Cobb.....D.D.G.M. Sixth Masonic District
Rt.W. Bro. Arthur Cooper.....D.D.G.M. Seventh Masonic District
Rt.W. Bro. J. A. McVicar.....D.D.G.M. Eighth Masonic District
Rt.W. Bro. W. J. Rodgers.....D.D.G.M. Ninth Masonic District
Rt.W. Bro. Murdoch MacKay....D.D.G.M. Tenth Masonic District
Rt.W. Bro. S. A. Wood.....D.D.G.M. Twelfth Masonic District

All of which is fraternally submitted.

STANLEY H. FAHRNI,
Chairman of the Committee on Condition of Freemasonry.

On motion of R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), seconded by R.W. Bro. Wm. McLellan (114), the report of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry was received and adopted.

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment by Most Worshipful Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Grand Master at 12:10 p.m., until 2:30 p.m.

LUNCHEON

Luncheon was given the delegates and Grand Lodge visitors at the Fort Garry Hotel, by the Masons of the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts under the auspices of the Past Masters' Association of Winnipeg at 12:30 noon, Thursday, June 6th. W. Bro. Norman H. Hall (114), President of the Past Masters' Association presiding.

Miss Olga Irwin entertained the guests with several very delightful solos, her accompanist being V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon, Grand Organist.

The Chairman extended a very hearty welcome to all present, and then introduced the guest Speaker, W. Bro. Dr. C. W. Graham, Principal of the United College and asked him to address the Brethren.

HOPE FOR THE NEW DAY

Bro. Chairman, Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In these dark days we, in the democracies, have come to relish better than anything else the naked truth black though it be, from the lips of men who are not appalled by its most horrifying aspects. Anything which smacks of a spurious optimism, based on wish thinking, we rightly regard as an insufferable impertinence. Though my theme is "Hope for the New Day" I shall try to perpetrate nothing of the kind upon you.

We are all agreed that we are living in the midst of events the outcome of which will determine the main patterns in which human life will move for some time to come. Some kind of a different age is coming to birth. Even the most hard-shelled social conservative recognizes that fact. It is a most sobering experience which reinforces the lesson, taught early to members of our craft, that to lay aside self-sufficiency is the beginning of better things for a man.

When times come upon us in which the social foundations of our world are shaken our first and greatest need is to find a perspective from which to view them. There is a passage in Victor Hugo's "Les Miserables" which may help us to do that. In it he

soliloquizes on the battle of Waterloo. After enumerating a list of unrelated factors which seemed to turn the day against Napoleon he goes on to declare that none of these was the finally decisive factor. That, he says, was the mind and will of God who could no longer tolerate Napoleon's defiance of the nature of things.

I have no thought of using that passage to pave the way for wishful thinking about some miraculous deliverance from the ordeal which awaits us. Hope, these days, could have no more flimsy foundation than an inadequate conception of Almighty God. I am ready to admit that if our democratic societies ride out this storm it will not be because their fidelity to the heritage entrusted to them will have altogether entitled them to divine aid against the enemy. I recall Victor Hugo's soliloquy because it suggests a perspective from which we may view the present scene. That great man was wont to regard particular events from the standpoint of the social process as a whole. For him, as for everyone who receives the philosophy of our craft, human destiny was in the hands of the Great Architect of the Universe. Viewing life as a whole he saw that its tide moved in an orthogenetic direction which could never long be violated with impunity.

We may find the same general thought, cast in more modern terms, in the writings of Professor Whitehead, Harvard's great scientist-philosopher. In one of his books occurs this seminal sentence: "Life is an offensive against the repetitive mechanisms of the universe." When we look at the human struggle as a whole that is, it resolves itself into a conflict between personality and the seemingly impersonal forces which inhere in the material world. This struggle has two aspects. First, there is man's effort to relate himself to these mechanisms through intelligence and skill. But that is only half of the human story. After each new advance on that side comes a struggle among men to accommodate the social patterns by which they live to the new mechanisms they control. In other words human life only persists on the earth through its ability to subordinate "the mechanism of the universe" to personal ends. That is the direction in which the stream as a whole must move and that was what Victor Hugo meant when he said that God could no longer tolerate Napoleon's defiance of the nature of things. It might be worth our while to consider the portentous events of our own day from this angle.

How clearly, and with what regrets for our own failures, we all remember when the post war political differences between the great powers of the world first began definitely to deteriorate toward armed conflict. That cloud, when it first appeared above the horizon, was no larger than a man's hand, though today it drenches the whole world with storm and fury. It took the shape

of the appearance in certain countries of dynamic individuals who aspired to be national messiahs and who preached a strange gospel. Though they were at first despised and rejected of men each very rapidly rose to power. Then began what to them was the constructive side of their public ministry. It is important to notice that this ministry had two aspects. The first was technological. Each Messiah sought to muster and utilize the intelligence and skill of his people to gain greater control over the modern form of the mechanisms of the universe, which in our age take the form of a machine. The second aspect of their work was cultural. These new Messiahs revolutionized the way of life and set up systems which were the precise antitheses of those democratic Christian social patterns which until then had prevailed in our western world. And having done that they proceeded to collaborate in launching those revolutionized societies, furnished, as were never societies furnished before, with control of "the mechanisms of the universe," upon the task of bringing in their own version of the New Day for the whole world.

If we were to predict the ultimate outcome from the reactions their course has brought forth from the democracies up to the present moment there could be no doubt which way the decision would go. It would go to the dictator states. In every clash which the democracies have had with them from 1931 up to the beginning of the present war the democracies have been frustrated, the dictatorships victorious. In those bitter years we used to console ourselves with the thought that a final show down would come in which the free societies would vindicate themselves. The show down has come. But though we have eagerly awaited it and prayed for it there is yet no clear vindication. For years now the dictators have jeered that our Christian civilization is decadent. Can we deny that much has happened which seems to make that claim valid? On the technological side we were unprepared. On the political side we have manifested no solidarity. The pernicious doctrines of neutrality and isolationism, which had reality only in an age that is forever gone, have divided us before forces which collaborate with the precision of the machine. We have found our leadership so weak that it has had to be replaced in the very midst of crisis. Or where it has been strong we have seen it so hampered by personal rivalry and vested interest that it could not function. And, we have found our inner loyalties for our own way of life so honeycombed with discontent and despair and strange doctrines that we are not only under the necessity of fighting but also of cleaning house as we fight. Only at one point have we found anything to cheer us. Thank God that no matter what else may be wrong with us there is no lack of personal courage. Man for man, woman for woman, we can still grow personalities that will bear favorable comparison with anything that may be found upon the earth.

That is a good point upon which to base the beginning of the slow but sure passage of the democracies from the nadir of the present cycle. For that is the only way we can look at the matter if for us there is to be any hope for a New Day. Democracy, as a way of life, is either on its way to oblivion below the horizon of humanity, or else it has touched its lowest point and is about to be regenerated. Right there we have some solid ground of hope on which to plant our feet. A way of life which can produce persons capable of the fortitude, the dogged endurance, and the absolute heroism which we have seen manifested by individuals in high places and low, on land, on sea, and in the air, in recent weeks is surely not yet so bankrupt that it can do no business in the world. That is one of the great imponderables in this struggle, the calibre of the human spirit. And unless Victor Hugo and Whitehead and every other man who ever thought soundly on the meaning of life as a whole are wrong, the type of personality which will come best through this ordeal is not the type which can most efficiently adjust itself to the machine but only the type which can subdue its uses to personal ends.

Where the preponderance in that quality of personality lies, whether in the dictator states or in the democracies, nobody at this moment knows but God. But when we draw off for a space from contemplating the events of the moment and compare the totalitarian way with the democratic way we can see certain other grounds of hope for such a regeneration as may restore our confidence in the democracies and help us to see in them humanity's only hope for a New Day.

We can, perhaps, get at these things by contrasting the two systems at certain points from the viewpoint we have chosen, remembering always the two aspects to the struggle, the technological and the cultural, the command of "the mechanisms of the universe" and the use to which these are put.

I. Let us look first at the technological side of the matter.

Here the German claim that their system is more efficient seems, at first glance, to have been so well substantiated that it has placed the great democracies of Europe in a position of admitted military peril. Because of this efficiency there are in our democracies many people, both on the left and on the right, who, for the past several years, have been flirting with the idea that our free economic system of modified capitalism is not efficient enough for the machine age.

In a remarkable report submitted to the United States government a few years ago by William Field Ogburn, Chicago's

distinguished sociologist, and entitled "Technological Trends and National Policy", there are certain findings which may help us to look more intelligently at this matter.

Ogburn says that the advent of the machine has introduced a factor into the human environment with which humanity has never before had to deal. This is the factor of exceeding rapidity of social change. Ogburn makes it clear that human inventions not only change individual lives but that they go on from there to affect institutions and finally the whole philosophy of a nation's life. As rapidly as the machine changes social change is precipitated.

There are two ways to deal with this. The first is the way the dictator states have chosen. They have made a rapid adjustment of their institutions and their social philosophy at the dictate of the machine. They have abolished capitalism in order to do away with the resistance which it offers to the enormous expenditures a state must make in order to keep up with the rapidly changing machine. By doing so they have put the capitalistic democracies in such a quandary that Britain, the mother of western democracy, has had to follow suit temporarily at least.

But this issue is still undecided. Though all this has happened it is not at all proved that this instinct which the dictator states have so blindly followed is sound. In fact, as we survey the human scene as it is today, there is at least one very good reason for believing that it is not sound and that it can never be accepted as the human way. It is not sound because it is wasteful, because its genius is to create wealth only to destroy it.

With all its faults, and they are many, that is not true of capitalism. Under a proper capitalistic system responsibility for the expenditure of wealth is much more widely distributed. It is by no means so easy, as we have learned to our present but not to our ultimate discomfiture, to place the wealth of a country at the disposal of a few men under a capitalistic system. That is a lesson that is bound to sink home to the world in the days of poverty which lie ahead of us. At that point our system, though we have not perfected it, is fundamentally sounder and more in accord with the nature of things. It and it alone carries humanity's hope of economic security, its hope of subordinating the machine to the production and distribution of wealth and not to the wasting of it. Whatever has a genius for destruction must destroy those who serve its genius. On this technological side of the matter the dictator states are out of touch with reality and will pay the price which the nature of things inexorably exacts from those who defy it.

II. Now let us turn for a brief glance at our problem from the cultural angle.

A culture is a set of social patterns or institutions through which a society seeks to put into practice whatever wisdom or philosophy it accepts about the ends of human life.

On this side the leaders of the dictator states have been loudly telling the world that they have brought something new, vigorous, and altogether better to the world.

Let us look for a moment at the claim that theirs is a new way of life. They never could have made it had they not first either corrupted the minds or suppressed the voice of every one in their countries who knew anything about the history of civilization, or, in other words, about the social experience of the human race.

That may sound like a sweeping statement but I shall try to justify it. Within the last half century the field archaeologist and the scholar have made available for us a great mass of new evidence on the remoter origins of western civilization in the ancient Mediterranean world. We have always known that our Christian democratic civilization had its roots in the civilizations of the Hebrews and the Greeks. We have also known that these civilizations were different in important respects from the way of life which had prevailed in that world before their time. But the important thing about our new evidence is that it enables us now to reconstruct that older pattern of civilization from which the Hebrews, the Greeks, and their Christian successors led humanity out in a new and different direction.

A study of this evidence will, I think, convince any man that these modern totalitarian systems, which their advocates tell us are new and virile, represent nothing more than a recrudescence of those most ancient forms of pagan life.

If you will permit me briefly to summarize the main outlines of those older cultures which the western world has been seeking for centuries to leave behind it the kinship of these allegedly new dictator systems with them will at once appear.

1. In the first place these were all cultures which were shaped by secular religions. For all their supernaturalism, their ideals and world view were materialistic. In those societies religion conditioned the social psychology for economic and political rather than for social and personal ends. The three steps in their programme were economic sufficiency, national efficiency, and domination of neighboring states. The production of wealth to be used in the exploitation of the wealth of others through conquest was

the normal procedure with them. The ceremonies and liturgies of their religions stress these themes by the acceptance of which their people submitted themselves to exploitation by their own rulers in the hope that by doing so they would be able to exploit others.

2. Again, it was the way in all these old Mediterranean Societies to focus authority in an individual who was regarded as the link between his people and the supernatural powers. This individual then became what one scholar has callled "the focus of the corporate personality." The secular religions of these ancient totalitarian states in this way fostered a community mysticism which so shaped the life drives of the masses that they were made to want only what their rulers dictated. This became the source of the social flabbiness of those states and it was only on this insecure foundation that the temporary political strength of their rulers rested.

3. Finally, these societies had one other characteristic in common. They never conceived any technique for dealing with international relationships other than one of military conquest. They made no resort to intelligence in economics or politics. Moral relations between nations were non-existent. The highest righteousness was loyalty to the authority of force and the lowest sin was rebellion against it.

The parallels between these old Mediterranean States and the modern dictator states are so striking that we can no longer be hoodwinked into thinking that they have anything new to give to humanity. Not only so but we are justified in wondering how sound is this youthful vigor of which they boast. Does it not seem that it would be a very strange thing if, when the human race has produced the newest and most potent forms of the "mechanisms of the universe" that it has ever known, it should turn to an ancient and long discarded type of culture in order to turn those mechanisms to the uses of personality?

I know that the strangeness of such a thing is no guarantee that it cannot happen. Yet after all one must set against that that larger view of human history which Victor Hugo and Whitehead express that sense that the life process only goes on because humanity never fails to find the cultural forms which subordinate new mechanisms to personal ends.

When we come at the matter that way there are certain signs of our own times, which we are liable to overlook in the distractions of immediate crisis, that suggest that the despised democracies, and not the much vaunted dictatorships, are much

more likely to be humanity's ultimate choice for its needs in the machine age.

1. It is not easy to bear in mind these days that social unrest is a far more profound reality in our world than political unrest. All people who travel widely in such a way as to come in touch with the common man know this. I have heard this unrest expressed in the shadow of the pyramids, in the villages of Palestine, in Balkan cafes and throughout the lands of western Europe, not to mention America. Whatever may be the outcome of the present political struggle the real issue will not have been decided when it ends. The human race has got a vision of the prospect of economic security which the machine has opened up to the common man.

Any system which is to meet that urge must have a genius not for domination but for cooperation. It must rely not upon the suppression of personality but upon the stimulation of it. It must know how to strike a balance between authority and freedom. Even in our recent decadence our democracies have had infinitely more of this capacity than the dictator states. There is, then, some ground of hope that they may still bring in the new day in the fact that one of the basic social phenomena of our machine age is this stirring of the will of the masses to enjoy the good things of life.

2. Another sign of our times is the fact that in spite of all that the dynamic dictators have said in glorification of war as the formula for making a great society, the world as a whole does not believe this. The people in the dictator states do not themselves believe it. The people of the world have their faces set toward peace. The only redeeming feature about Munich was the fact that it provided an opportunity for at least one outburst of this basic urge in a dictator state under the very nose of its master.

Those who think that the will and capacity to wage offensive war is in harmony with the genius of the machine age are profoundly out of step with reality. The machine sets before humanity one of two alternatives, peace with freedom and abundance of life, or war with slavery and deterioration toward the life of the beast.

The dictatorships have no genius for peace with freedom. All they know is peace with imperial domination. It is the same old formula which hundreds of years ago reduced the smiling and fertile plains of Mesopotania to a desert. That old style of militaristic imperialism is on its way out in our age. Long ago the Great Christian democracies recognized this and began to grow toward the light. In reviving that type of imperialism, even in

most efficient and ruthless forms, the dictator states are flying in the face of one of the realities of the New Day. If history has any meaning at all they are even now, no matter how the fickle goddess of victory may seem to be perching on their banners, evoking from humanity the forces which will destroy them. The machine means peace and life, or war and death. In all the long ages, at whatever frightful cost, humanity has never failed to turn its newly discovered "mechanisms of the universe" to personal ends. It will not fail now.

3. Finally, there is one other sign of our times that we are prone to forget amid the din of war and that is that internationalism and not nationalism is the true tendency of the machine age. It took a lot of us a long time to realize it even though for years past science has been bringing the whole world to every man's hearthstone. The machine can mean only the interdependence of all parts of our world. There are no frontiers left to us save those of the spirit, the frontiers of culture. It is on these that the real battle is being fought, the battle for humanity's soul. And that will never really be won until institutions are shaped which correspond to this dependence of all the parts of the world on this newly achieved unity of the world.

In the light of this the dictatorships have nothing tangible to offer as a contribution to the ushering in of the New Day. They have no genius for promoting human solidarity that rests on any more solid basis than the momentary advantage of their own individual states. It cannot have been entirely lost upon humanity as a whole that the first attempt ever made in human history to set up an institutional framework for a true international order came from the democracies.

It is true that this first attempt made through the League of Nations was a faltering effort. Humanity did not know then, as it will know tomorrow, the meaning of the machine. But notwithstanding this failure all men who do not leave the imponderables out of their thinking have not failed to remark that the collapse of the League did not kill the idea behind it. Behind the screen of strife the realization is growing that in that direction, which is a part now forever of our democratic heritage, lies humanity's hope for a new day.

It is only by their fidelity to a vision of world solidarity that the democratic societies may continue because only thus may humanity itself continue. The philosophy on which they were patterned was shaped by a religion that was and is spiritual and universal, that thought in terms of the whole of the world, that believed that personality was the supremely real thing in the world. To the superficial that religion may seem to be in eclipse

along with the societies that rest upon its philosophy. Its objectives of goodness, beauty, and truth may seem to some of little worth. Its eternal Messiah may seem powerless beside the dynamic messiahs of the new paganism. Its faith in intelligence and in love may seem to be outmoded. But if there is still anything left to us of this side of our heritage we shall only fail by reason of our disloyalty to it.

Behind the transitory tumults of our world its Creator works now as always for its redemption. That is our surest ground of hope for a new day. Whenever we do not feel that solid rock beneath our feet it is because we are not relating ourselves to the whole of the universe but only to those parts of it which in the childhood of the race, men worshipped. Those pagan instincts still survive in the best of us. Again and again we turn from the worship of the one true God to abase ourselves before the idols. If we abandon hope for the New Day we shall be doing that. We shall be leaving our hearts without an altar to the living God. And when that happens to a person there is never again any newness for him in all the universe.

Bro. Prof. R. Fletcher Argue, in his usual impressive manner moved a vote of sincere appreciation to Dr. Graham for his very fine address, which was enthusiastically approved.

M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins, on behalf of the delegates from outside the City of Winnipeg, expressed thanks and appreciation to the Winnipeg Brethren for the entertainment provided for them and the address of Dr. Graham.

Second Day
Afternoon Session

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor by Most Worshipful Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Grand Master, at 3:00 p.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, (Continued)

ON CORRESPONDENCE

To the W.M. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worship Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Correspondence herewith submits its annual review of the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges which have been received during the past year.

It is encouraging to read in the various Proceedings that there is an awakening zeal in Masonry.

Greater numbers of petitions are being received and consequently greater care is being exercised and caution in admitting members into the Order.

Life membership has become a very serious question in a number of Grand Jurisdictions, and some Lodges are facing serious trouble.

With continuing faith in the future of this Grand Lodge, your Committee respectfully submits its report.

Fraternally submitted,

HUGH M. KERR,
Chairman.

On motion of R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr (113), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), the report of the Committee on Correspondence was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Investments, begs to report as follows:

The investments of Grand Lodge show an increase over the previous year, but it should be borne in mind that no provision is made either in the previous year or in the Auditor's Report for the present year, for losses which are almost certain to be sustained with reference to the real estate which Grand Lodge has been obliged to take over under default of mortgages and the titles to which now stand in the name of Grand Lodge.

Interest on the $10,000.00 of Alberta bonds has not been paid for this year, which makes four years during which no revenue has been received from this investment. Interest at one half of the rate agreed to be paid on the bonds would be paid, but the Investment Committees in the past, and the Investment Committee of this year have thought it unwise to accept a partial payment of interest on these bonds, particularly as the Supreme Court of Canada and the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council of England have held that the full amount of the interest is owing by the Province of Alberta.

A satisfactory reduction has been made in our Mortgage Investments, which have been reduced from $20,588.37 to $18,978.93.

There is again a decrease in the amount shown under the item of Real Estate, which has brought this item down from $36,194.35 to $35,431.98. This improvement was brought about in spite of quite substantial outlays on some of the properties for the purpose of putting them into a proper state of repairs and maintaining them in good condition.

The bonds owned by Grand Lodge have a par value of $227.500.00 as against $222,500.00 last year. The difference is made up of the par value of $5,000.00 of First War Loan bonds. The book value of the bonds is $219,371.93.

All of the bonds, except the $5000.00 of First War Loan Bonds and the Alberta Bonds give a satisfactory yield in interest, but as bonds mature and have to be re-invested, it becomes increasingly difficult to re-invest in bonds that are secure and at the same time give a satisfactory interest return.

During the year $10,000.00 of bonds were exchanged without loss of security, and with a profit on the exchange of $450.00

The Investment Committee has made a personal survey and inspection of the Real Estate held by Grand Lodge. The properties have been maintained in good condition and are all rented except the premises at 66 Waterloo which have been continuously vacant since title was acquired by Grand Lodge. The Investment Committee is of the opinion that substantial loss will be suffered in the realization of these properties unless, as now seems improbable, there is an increase in value of properties as a result of war.

The Investment Committee pays tribute to the excellent work of the Grand Secretary in the supervision and management of the investments of Grand Lodge, particularly Real Estate. Not only have we had the benefit of the sound judgment of the Grand Secretary, but also in the maintenance of our properties have had the advantage of his professional knowledge and skill.

During the year under review the sum of $6,333.35 has been disbursed to the Beneficiary Fund.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

BEN C. PARKER,
Chairman.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4), seconded by R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon (3), the Report of the Committee on Investments was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Finance, begs to submit the following Report:

In September, 1939, one of your Committee, R.W. Bro. Hugh Mackenzie, enlisted for active service as Officer Commanding the 79th Cameron Highlanders; and your Committee, therefore, was deprived of his valuable services. R.W. Bro. A. Steventon was later appointed to fill this vacancy.

Meetings of the Finance Committee have been held at least once each month, and all matters brought to its attention have been carefully dealt with. All accounts presented by the Grand Secretary have been examined and approved for payment.

The Report of the Auditors on the Finances of Grand Lodge as at March 31st, 1940, has been examined; and we believe it presents a true and correct account of the financial standing of Grand Lodge as at that date.

The Auditors' Report shows a net operating profit for the year of $398.25. This, however, is offset by expenditures in connection with the Grand Lodge Library. Alterations, moving, furnishings and shelving are shown as $1,801.08, which shows a net deficit for the year of $1,402.83.

Close supervision over all expenditures continues to be given by the Grand Secretary. His Office is economically and efficiently conducted, and any information required by your Committee has been immediately made available. Your Committee fully appreciates the genial assistance given by the Grand Secretary in the carrying out of its duties.

Your Finance Committee has prepared and, herewith, submits for your consideration a statement of the approximate Income and Expenditure for the year ending March 31st, 1941.

INCOME

Dues	$ 9,000.00
Initiations and M.M. Certificates	850.00
Past Masters' Certificates	70.00

Life Members' Certificates	80.00
Life Member Fees	450.00
Dispensations	75.00
Supplies	325.00
	$10,850.00

EXPENDITURES

Salaries	$ 4,200.00
Rent	1,000.00
Postage and Stamp Tax	275.00
Office Stationery and Supplies	250.00
Lodge Supplies	550.00
Grand Master's Expense	500.00
Grand Lodge Travelling Expense	300.00
Insurance	175.00
Library Maintenance	1,200.00
General Printing and Proceedings	800.00
Grand Lodge Expense	500.00
Audit	150.00
Grand Master's Regalia and P.G.M. Jewel	300.00
Telephones, Telegrams and Exchange	125.00
Warning Circular and Masonic Relief Association of U.S.A. and Canada	100.00
Miscellaneous	500.00
	$10,925.00

Fraternally submitted,
HARVEY T. WATERS,
Chairman.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters (25), seconded by W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1), the Report of the Committee on Finance was received and adopted.

ON BENEVOLENCE

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Benevolence begs to report as follows:

There has been very little change in the number of beneficiaries during the past year. There were 46 on the roll at the commencement of the year, and during the period covered by this report 11 cases were closed for various reasons, and 6 new ones added, the total number of beneficiaries as at March 31st, last, was 41.

Your Committee is pleased to be able to report that during the past year its work was again lightened by those Lodges whose financial standing enabled them to take care of their own cases, instead of calling on the fund for assistance.

Your Committee desires again to direct the attention of Masters and Secretaries of all Lodges to Section 11 (b), Sub Sections 1, 2 and 3, of the Constitution. With reference to this, failure on the part of some Lodges during the year to furnish necessary information regarding applicants for assistance, delayed the work of your Committee until after there had been additional correspondence with the Secretaries of the Lodges concerned.

Your Committee would therefore again urge that no application for assistance be forwarded from any Lodge until a thorough investigation has been made into the financial circumstances of the applicants, so that a detailed history of each case may be forwarded with the application. In connection with this, your Committee recommends that all Lodges having beneficiaries, appoint one of their members to keep in touch with such beneficiaries and report direct to your Committee any change that may take place in their circumstances, especially with regard to their finances.

Your Committee further recommends that in cases where beneficiaries have real property, the necessary steps be taken to charge such property with benefits paid.

Your Committee desires to acknowledge with many thanks, receipt of the following donations to the fund, from the Lodges named.

Vermillion Lodge No. 68	$ 75.00
Stony Mountain Lodge No. 134	2.50
St. John's Lodge No. 4	115.00
Glenboro Lodge No. 48	15.00
Hamiota Lodge No. 84	25.00
Belmont Lodge No. 13	25.00
Meridian Lodge No. 140	25.00
Prince of Wales Lodge No.14	14.18
Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100	11.00

Strathclair Lodge No. 106	45.00
Composite Lodge No. 64	10.00
Kilwinning Lodge No. 110	25.00
Patricia Lodge No. 125	10.00
Manitou Lodge No. 30	10.00
Russell Lodge No. 62	5.00
Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3	300.00
Hirman Lodge No. 94	15.00
	$727.68

In addition to these Lodge Donations, the following amounts have been received.

Balance in the hands of the Treasurer of the former Eighth Masonic District, $11.19, and individual donations from Brethren of the Jurisdiction amounting to $26.50. These amounts are also thankfully acknowledged, and have been credited to the fund.

"It matters little how long we stay,
In a world fraught with joy and care,
Whether in youth we are called away,
Or live till our bones and pate are bare.

"But whether we do the best we can
To soften the weight of adversity's touch
On the faded cheek of our fellow man,
It matters much."

Fraternally submitted,
HARRY WOODS,
Chairman.

On motion of M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), seconded by R. W. Bro. C. R. Sayer (10), the report of the Committee on Benevolence was received and adopted.

ON MASONIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Masonic Research and Education, through the Board of General Purposes, begs to report as follows:

The Stability of a Society such as ours in a changing civilization must be based on the individual loyalty of its members. That loyalty can be strong only when the members have a deep appreciation of the purpose of the Society, and feel a pride in its achievements. Therefore loyalty cannot be compelled. It may be inspired by example, and held through knowledge, but it must come from the individual himself.

We urge our candidates to consider themselves called upon to make daily advancement in Masonic knowledge. It is our duty, therefore, to make easily available the means by which they can acquire that knowledge.

Your Committee has kept this duty before them in planning the work for the past year. So we have made efforts to interest the brethren in the Library, and to make access to its contents more convenient.

During the year a complete catalogue of the books in the Library was sent to all Lodges, so that they might have it on file for the use of their members. Later, a series of questions covering the Constitution was sent out. This latter has proved useful in acquainting the brethren with the regulations governing our Fraternity, and has helped to encourage a study of the Constitution. Some work has also been done in preparing material to help candidates understand the background of our Order, and to give them some clearer knowledge of its teachings. This will be available for the succeeding Committee if they wish to use it.

It should be emphasized that a large part of the responsibility for arousing interest in a knowledge of Freemasonry lies on the Master of the Lodge. It is on him that we must depend for the success of any effort to improve Masonic Education. We therefore appeal to all Masters to keep in mind the need for personal study both of Masonic principles and of the Constitution, and for setting the example of advancement in Masonic knowledge.

Following the resignation of V.W. Bro. Syme on September 30th of last year, your Committee asked M.W. Bro. H. Woods to take charge of the Library. The choice has proved a happy one. M.W. Bro. Woods has taken hold of the work with vigour. The removal of the Library to more commodious quarters gave him an opportunity to make improvements in its organization. These improvements have considerably increased its convenience and attractiveness. Also, by personal visits to other Masonic libraries, and by correspondence he has learned much that will be of value in our own Library.

The Committee has endeavored to arouse the interest of the brethren throughout the Province in the advantages offered by the Library. M.W. Bro. Woods has visited a great many Lodges, and has attended the District Meetings to speak to the brethren about the Library, and to urge fuller use of it. We have been able to arrange with the Postal Authorities that those borrowing books from out of town may return them at no cost to themselves. It is hoped that by these efforts a wider use of the material in the Library will result.

As a Committee we wish to record our appreciation of the fine work of the Librarian, M.W. Bro. Woods, and heartily recommend that he be continued in his present position.

With this report is included the report of the Rt.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset, Grand Librarian.

Fraternally submitted,

H. B. DONNELLY,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE GRAND LIBRARIAN

To R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly, Chairman Masonic Research and Educational Committee:

Dear Sir and Right Worshipful Brother:

Herewith I beg to present my report in connection with the Grand Lodge Library, year ending May 1st, 1940.

In the summer of last year the Library was transferred to its new home, over the office of the Grand Secretary.

We have now for a library very comfortable quarters—and an opportunity is given to any who desire to prepare matters in connection with Masonic affairs. The Librarian is in charge during office hours, and is willing to give any assistance required. With a new home we hope that the library will be more useful and be more largely used than in the past.

Last Fall V.W. Bro. Syme, who had been the Librarian in charge for many years resigned—M.W. Bro. Harry Woods has been appointed to succeed him. M.W. Bro. Harry Woods is well known in Manitoba, and he is very anxious to render all the assistance he

can. Your Committee feels sure that the appointment is a very wise one.

We have again to thank many Masonic friends for donations to the Library, and we do so very heartily.

We are building up a first class Masonic Library, and donations are thankfully received.

The following books have been circulated from May 11th, 1939, to April 30th, 1940, with list of donations and names of the givers.

BOOKS ISSUED FROM MAY 11TH, 1939, TO APRIL 30TH, 1940
BOTH DATES INCLUSIVE

M.00 Encyclopaedias, etc.	12
M.03 Study	1
M.10 History and Philosophy	63
M.11 Symbolism	79
M.12 Church and State, etc.	2
M.14 Rites, Degrees, Manuals	31
M.16 Biography	5
M.17 History	12
M.19 General Works	3
M,31 Constitutions, etc.	3
M.50 Art and Architecture	5
M.61 Addresses and Lectures	14
M.63 Poetry and Drama	2
M.66 Novels and Tales	14
M.80 General Works	1
Proceedings	3
Miscellaneous, not Masonry	25
Clippings from Magazines	18
Questionnaire	104
Totals	397

BOOKS DONATED TO THE LIBRARY DURING THE YEAR

The Koran, or Alcoran ..... By Bro. William Fingland
General History, Cyclopaedia of Freemasonry By Bro. J. R. Morgan
History of Freemasonry, Vols. 1, 2 and 3 . . By Miss Grace McGeath
The War, Illustrated Album De Luxe, 6 Vols. By Bro. T.C.Thurman
Epicurianism Philosophy ..... By Bro. A. Chisolm
The Great Controversy .....
Daniel and the Revelation ..... } By Brother J. McKeown

Freemasonry in Manitoba	By the Widow of the late Bro. George McCready
Freemasonry in Scotland	
Freemasonry and Concordant Orders	
General History, Cyclopaedia Freemasonry.	
Principles and Practice, Masonic Jurisprudence	
Principles and Practice, Masonic Jurisprudence	
Memorials of the Masonic Union	
Masonic Facts and Fictions	
Institutes of Masonic Jurisprudence	
Notes on the Ceremony of Installation	

Yours fraternally,

CHAS. E. SOMERSET,
Grand Librarian.

On motion of R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. F. Dart (93), the report of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education and Library was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

To M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

During the past year several applications for recognition have been received, but after consideration of the disturbed world-wide conditions they have been held in abeyance, and no action is recommended at the present time.

For similar reasons we are not in a position to give any review that would indicate the serious inroads which have been made into the Masonic organization, particularly since the commencement of the European conflict.

The Masonic Institution, being one of the organizations which has maintained throughout the centuries an influence for world-wide peace, is undoubtedly so far as Europe is concerned, more

widely represented upon the field of conflict than in the peaceful and benign precincts of its Lodge Rooms and we extend to all in their tragedy and sorrow, our earnest wishes for the ultimate triumph of truth, righteousness, and world-wide brotherhood.

Respectfully submitted,
N. J. BLACK,
Chairman.

On motion of M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3), seconded by M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller (25), the report of the Committee on Foreign Relations was received and adopted.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

Your Special Committee appointed to review the address of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master begs to report as follows:

His Address is characteristic of that sincerity of purpose and refinement of outlook and method which have marked his every effort of the year during which he has so ably guided the destinies of Freemasonry in this Grand Jurisdiction. It brings into review for meditation matters of breadth and depth and of concern to the general welfare of the Order and to each individual Mason, leaving almost entirely to reports of standing and special committees those things which may be thought of as departmental details. Above all, he seeks to establish the position of the Order in a troubled world and the duty of each Mason in relation to the maintenance of those institutions and ideals for which an English speaking democracy stands, and directs attention to the need for a more practical application of Masonic ideals within an economic structure which at the moment is cloudy and void of definite direction.

Fitting reference is made to the loss sustained by our Grand Jurisdiction and neighboring Grand Jurisdictions south of the international boundary in the passing of brethren who had distinguished themselves in the work of the Craft and in promoting

international good-will. We commend the Grand Master for his reference to the late M.W. Bro. Trousdale, of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota and the late M.W. Bro. Milo B. Price, of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. Suitable reference is made to the passing of M.W. Bro. Henry Adolph, one of the pioneers of Freemasonry in this Grand Jurisdiction and, in fact, in Western Canada.

With utmost modesty he recounts his journeyings to and fro in this and other Grand Jurisdictions but when one adds it all together you realize something of how busy he has been.

Grand Lodge medals to ten Masons of fifty years standing, presented in as many times and places; visits to the three Lodges, especially under the jurisdiction of the Grand Master and attendance at all District Meetings; visits to thirty-eight constituent lodges; to the Grand Lodges of North Dakota, Kansas City, Des Moines, Minnesota and to International Services on Masonic Island, Lake Metigoshe. His travels bespeak his Masonic contributions, both locally and internationally. The benefit accruing from the reading of these visits is enriched by the beauty, charm and intimacy with which he depicts experiences here and there and the warmth of personal and fraternal greetings everywhere extended.

Your Committee commends the reference to the method of selecting District Deputy Grand Masters and to the provision for re-establishing effective meetings of the incoming deputies. It would seem necessary from the words of the Grand Master that the office of District Deputy to the Grand Master be re-instated, in our thinking as such, from time to time, and understood in the light of an added arm for the more convenient dissemination of Masonic light and inspiration to the constituent Lodge. The Masonic District is but an area convenient for the extension of the Grand Master's guidance through his District Deputy.

Your Committee commends every statement and sentiment intended to clarify the position which the Order and each individual Mason must take in this hour when freedom, justice and human kindness are imperilled by the forces of the dark ages. His call to Freemasons to rally to the cause of democracy is prophetic of the contribution which the Order and the Mason may make to the courage, clear-thinking, and spirit of self-sacrifice necessary if democracy and our institutions embedded therein shall survive. An ancient landmark of English speaking Freemasonry is set aside, in, that the appeal is to the Order as well as to the individual to maintain those virtues of democratic government which are part and parcel of Masonic aims and ideals.

We commend the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, in his thought for those who go to serve in the armies of democracy and

return again to mingle with their fellows in civil life. The trials of the years of spiritual and economic re-adjustment which await them must be made to confirm their belief in the justice and merit of our way of search for truth and hapiness. Equally do we commend this thought as applied to the youth of our land who in times of great economic disturbance become the lost army on the home front. A new emphasis is given the possibilities of Masonic philosophy in the sphere of practical public problems as they affect the betterment of living standards for all individuals.

In conclusion your Committee desires to congratulate the Most Worshipful the Grand Master on the completion of a year of strenuous labor, a service which has endeared him to the Brethren of this and other Grand Jurisdictions; on guidance which has renewed again our hope and faith in the mission of the Craft; and for an address which may well serve to pilot the Order and each individual Mason in these days which test the very existence of the Order and those things for which we as individual Masons stand.

Fraternally submitted,

D. S. WOODS,
Chairman of Committee.

On motion of M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90), seconded by M.W. Bro. George Hunter (40), the report of the Committee on Grand Master's Address was received and adopted.

ON GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee, to whom has been referred the report of the Grand Secretary beg to comment as follows:

The report, which is wholly Statistical is very complete and interesting in its various details, and would indicate that the affairs of Grand Lodge have been wisely and efficiently administered. We note that the net loss in membership is much less than in any of the five previous years, but feel that a greater improvement is necessary and could be made in respect to Demits, Suspensions

and Reinstatements. To that end we would commend the Worshipful Master and Officers of every Lodge in the Jurisdiction to increase their efforts in that regard.

Your Committee wish to express its sincere sympathy to the Grand Secretary in the serious accident which he suffered in November last and from which he has not yet entirely recovered, and also to express our appreciation of that great devotion to the interests of this Grand Lodge which compelled him to disregard his comfort and well-being in order to give his personal attention to the business of his office over a long period of convalescence. This devotion to duty, together with his kind and courteous nature, should be an inspiration to each and every one of us, and we pray that he will soon be restored to his normal health and activity.

Fraternally submitted,

J. F. DART.

Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of R.W. Bro. J. F. Dart (93), seconded by R.W. Bro. Rev. G. R. Calvert (1), the Report of the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report was received and adopted.

ON FRATERNAL DEAD

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. &. A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

In the midst of toil and stress, news of the various war theatres, the worry and strain of individual effort and the hurry of modern life, we pause for a few moments in this Communication of our Grand Lodge to pay tribute to those who, since we last met have passed to their Great Reward.

As we ourselves grow older and find the days too short to fulfill our tasks we are brought face to face with the realization that sooner or later, we too, are fast approaching the end of our mortal lives. In the lapse of time and the enlightening growth of our philosopical selves we may, perhaps, take stock and ponder over our own final scene.

Man naturally does not like to think of his own passing, yet must face the fact that he, too, is mortal and must pass to that ethereal Kingdom where the stresses of this life are past and he is reunited with those who have gone before. The mellowing influences of age, the passing on of our friends and brethren reminds us more deeply than anything else that:

> "Man born of a woman is here but for a little while, and, full of trouble, is finally cut down, wasteth away, and where is he?"

Though he has passed on, yet he lives in the cherished memory of his brothers and fellowmen. Not, perhaps, because he was of high degree or rank, but for his sterling worth and character, for his smile and friendly greeting, for his kindly deeds and charitable actions, for his upholding of a brother's good name, though he may have been justly liable to reprehension and blame. These are the ones, who through the years, found Life to be a series of moments and emotions; a solemn mystery; a preface to enterity.

In the measureless realm of time, how brief is our earthly life, yet how momentous and eternal its issues. Life's experiences coming thick and fast, are the soul's appointed means of growth. Today, we build our castles; tomorrow, fickle fortune snatches from hope the promised joy. Today, prosperity or the presence of loved ones fills our cup with joy; tomorrw, adversity or sore bereavement casts us into the valley of sorrow.

How, then, do you or I accept Life?

Shall I accept Life merely as a gift to be appreciated or shall I accept Life as a Trust to be administered? Life without friendly contacts is unbearable to most people. Much of the literature that has been written makes its appeal to the desire of the individual to learn if life is the same to other people that it is to him. In our hearts all of us are lonely—lonely and a little afraid—afraid of being left alone in a universe that is beyond our understanding and our comprehension. We want, we yearn for, we seek reassuring contacts with other people, contacts to learn, if possible, if life is to others as it is to you and me. Adversities, trials, sorrows, bereavements, which sometimes stalk before us in the dismal raiment of defeat, are often only the door of victory. The panacea is faith—faith in yourself and in God and in the light and understanding which God gives to aching hearts.

> "There is here no bourn, no ultimate, the very farthest star
> But rims a sea of other stars extending just as far.
> There is no beginning and no end. As in ages gone,
> The greatest joy of joys shall be the joy of going on."

Yes, the joy of going on, as they who have passed would have us skillful craftsmen, wise and efficient in the use of the great tools of life which an all-knowing Master Architect has placed in the hands of his faithful workman.

"Until then, we are bound by our love and our faith
To the saints who are walking in Paradise Fair.
They have passed beyond sight at the touching of death,
But they live, like ourselves, in God's infinite care."

Fraternally submitted,
J. FERGUSON IRWIN,
Chairman.

W. Bro. Irwin's address was listened to with close attention, and he was warmly thanked for his timely message, which was unanimously supported by Grand Lodge.

OUR GUESTS

During the Sessions the Most Worshipful Grand Master called on the following Distinguished Brethren to address Grand Lodge:—

M.W. Bro. George Moore, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Alberta.

M.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, P.G.M. and Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Alberta.

M.W. Bro. H. M. Underhill, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

R.W. Bro. Chauncey C. Colton, Acting Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

M.W. Bro. Col. Frank Matson, P.G.M. Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

M.W. Bro. Gustaff Widell, P.G.M. Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

M.W. Bro. Harry W. Gill, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

M.W. Bro. Mark Forkner, P.G.M. Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

M.W. Bro. Charles M. Pollock, P.G.M. Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

M.W. Bro. Walter L. Stockwell, P.G.M. and Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

R.W. Bro. C. G. Grant, P.G.S.W. Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

Each of these Distinguished Guests brought kind fraternal greetings from their respective Grand Jurisdictions, and a message of inspiration and goodwill.

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment by Most Worshipful Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Grand Master, until 8:00 o'clock in the evening.

MEETING OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods and M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt met the newly elected District Deputy Grand Masters at 4:00 p.m., for the purpose of discussing the duties of their Office, and the problems they might be faced with during their term of Office.

This proved to be a very helpful and instructive meeting for all present.

Second Day
Evening Session

Most Worshipful Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Grand Master, accompanied by Grand Lodge Officers and our Distinguished Guests, entered the Lodge Room, the Brethren singing the hymn, "Lord of the Lands".

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 8:00 o'clock p.m. by the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Credentials begs to report as follows: There are 104 Chartered Lodges. Ninety-four Lodges were represented by one or more of their principal Officers, 10 are unrepresented namely:

Corinthian Lodge No. 15
Neepawa Lodge No. 24
Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100
Union Lodge No. 108
Roblin Lodge No. 122
Favel Lodge No. 126
Shellmouth Lodge No. 129
Sprague Lodge No. 132
Harmony Lodge No. 142
Foxwarren Lodge No. 152

Eighty-nine Lodges have one or more Past Masters present, and 5 Lodges have neither a Past Master nor Officer present. There are 388 Past Masters present, 83 Worshipful Masters, 55 Senior Wardens, 40 Junior Wardens, making a total of 566 members present.

There are 79 Master Masons and visitors registered.

Fraternally submitted,

H. M. KERR,
Chairman.

No.	Name of Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Tot. Vote
1	Prince Rupert's	1	1	1	18	21
2	Lisgar	1			2	3
3	Ancient Landmark .	1	1	1	10	13
4	St. John's	1	1	1	17	20
6	Emerson	1	1	1	4	7
7	Assiniboine	1	1		7	9
8	King Solomon			1	4	5
10	Northern Light	1	1	1	11	14
11	Gladstone	1		1	5	7
12	Stonewall	1	1	1	5	8
13	Belmont	1	1		2	4
14	Prince of Wales	1		1	4	6
15	Corinthian				1	1
19	Brandon	1	1	1	1	4
24	Neepawa				2	2
25	Ionic	1	1		12	14
27	Glenwood	1	1		2	4
29	Carberry		1		2	3
30	Manitou	1	1	1	3	6
36	Doric	1			5	6
39	Birtle	1	1	1	2	5
40	Deloraine	1	1		5	7
43	Lebanon	1			5	6
44	Oak Lake		1		3	4
48	Glenboro	1			3	4
49	Temple	1	1		2	4
50	Killarney	1			2	3
51	Treherne	1			3	4
52	Hartney	1	1	1	2	5
54	Oriental	1	1		8	10
55	East Star			1	7	8
62	Russell	1			1	2
63	Holland	1	1		2	4
64	Composite	1		1	3	5
67	Wawanesa		1		1	2
68	Vermillion	1	1		2	4
70	Shiloh	1	1		6	8
71	Crystal			1	3	4
74	Elkhorn		1			1
75	Gothic			1	5	6
77	Napinka	1		1	1	3
82	Cypress	1			1	2
84	Hamiota	1				1
86	Elgin	1			3	4
87	Rathwell	1				1
90	Midlothian		1		2	3
92	Shoal Lake	1		1	4	6
93	King Edward	1	1	1	19	22
94	Hiram	1	1		1	3
100	Robbie Burns					
101	Binscarth	1				1
102	Miniota	1	1		5	7

No.	Name of Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Tot. Vote
103	Crescent	1			2	3
104	Reston	1			2	3
105	Prince Arthur	1				1
106	Strathclair	1	1		2	4
107	Lansdowne	1			1	2
108	Union				3	3
109	Swan Lake	1	1		2	4
110	Kilwinning		1		1	2
111	Acacia	1	1	1	6	9
112	Ophir	1	1		4	6
113	Tweed	1	1	1	5	8
114	"The Assiniboine"	1	1		9	11
115	Rivers	1				1
116	St. Andrew's	1			7	8
117	Strathcona	1	1	1	3	6
118	Mound	1		1	2	4
119	Norwood	1	1	1	6	9
120	Penza	1	1		2	4
121	St. James	1	1		4	6
122	Roblin					
123	Transcona	1		1	3	5
124	The Pas	1			1	2
125	Patricia	1	1		6	8
126	Favel					
127	Empire	1	1	1	2	5
128	Victory	1	1		2	4
129	Shellmouth					
130	Fort Garry	1	1	1	11	14
131	Kildonan	1	1	1	5	8
132	Sprague				1	1
133	McCreary	1	1		2	4
134	Stony Mountain	1	1		5	7
136	Capitol	1	1	1	5	8
137	Lord Selkirk	1		1	3	5
138	Windsor	1	1		6	8
139	Beaver	1		1	7	9
140	Meridian	1			7	8
141	Tuscan	1	1	1	6	9
142	Harmony				1	1
143	Mt. Sinai	1		1	4	6
144	Fort Osborne	1	1	1	2	5
145	Sturgeon Creek	1	1		6	8
146	Fidelity	1	1	1	8	11
147	Jubilee	1				1
148	Seven Oaks	1	1		6	8
150	Cartwright	1			1	2
151	The Dormer	1		1	6	8
152	Foxwarren					
153	Flin Flon	1				1
154	Pine Falls	1		1		2
155	Carman	1		1	3	5
156	Manitouwapa	1	1	1		3
	Totals	83	55	40	388	566

On motion of R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr (113), seconded by R.W. Bro. T. A. Argue (55), the report of the Committee on Credentials was received and adopted.

BACKGROUNDS

An address delivered by Frank L. Eversull, President, North Dakota Agricultural College, before the Grand Lodge of Manitoba at Winnipeg, June 6th, 1940.

"Freemasonry is an evolution of human thought and human activity. Long before we ever had Masonic Lodges, men had learned the value of human relationships and social patterns. These had gradually crystallized into laws and regulations for human conduct. The ancient Brethren gathered together the best of these laws and principles, and formulated them into codes of behavior that united men for common purposes and in a common brotherhood. As far back as we have recorded history we find our ancient Brethren using grips and passwords together with other signs and symbols which identified them as possessors of certain secrets which enabled them to work together under a common bond of understanding. These backgrounds furnished the warp and woof out of which the Masonic fabric was woven. Ancient Greece, with its knowledge and experience; ancient Rome, with its laws and regulations; ancient Egypt, with its mysteries and philosophy; and the ancient Judean Hills, with their monotheism and their ethics, all poured their contributions into the golden crucible from which the Grand Lodge of England drew liberally in 1717 as they gave substance to modern Freemasonry.

"There are three of these backgrounds which concern us today as we face a chaotic world and a social order that is shot through and through with new and strange ideologies.

"I. VOCATIONAL PREPARATION

"Freemasonry is interested, primarily, in a man's ability to make a life as he makes his living. From the very first entrance into a Lodge of Freemasons until the last lesson is taught, the initiate is aware of the vocational subject matter of Masonic lore. He has been given working tools and taught their use acceptable to the Craft. He has heard it said that man should spend eight hours in the pursuit of his usual vocation. He has been taught to apply himself diligently to the support of his family so as to have

enough left for the relief of worthy distressed Brethren. Masonry, by its very name, implies the builder's art. Its most significant lessons are derived from man's ability to employ his ingenuity, his imagination, and his skill in the performance of a plan of activity which will eventuate in a permanent structure modeled after 'that house not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens.'

"Out of the rich lore of the cathedral builders, who left their monumental path across the face of Europe, he is taught to apply himself with all diligence to be a wise follower or an astute leader and 'to do with his might whatsoever his hands find to do.' It is apparent, from the rolls of the Masonic Lodges the world around, that the membership of this great organization is made up of men who have been willing to apply themselves in solving the monumental tasks of Society. It has been the supreme opportunity of Masonry to see that men had work to do, and that they were imbued with the spirit to do it. The lessons which were learned from the rough ashlar and from the smooth ashlar made ready for the builders use were easily applied to the professions, the trades, and the ordinary vocations of life. Thus, Masonry has always taught the dignity of hard work. The virtue was not in its hardness, but in its permanency and its value to civilization.

"So, as time has passed, it is not surprising that Masonry has stood out prominently for law and order, for capital and labor, for trade and industry, and for the usual vocations which men pursue. In these days when technocracy is over-reaching population trends, Masonry's vast backgrounds of vocational guidance and interest in the affairs of men, leads us to believe that one of the unfinished tasks which lies ahead of us is to emulate our ancient Brethren in seeing that the designs of modern civilization, which are drawn upon the trestle boards of the nations of the world, should be sufficient to attract masters, fellow crafts, and entered apprentices in sufficient numbers to make a place for everyone willing to work and to promote a philosophy that will make every man want to work.

"To bring this down to the level of the ordinary Lodge, we should concern ourselves with the working plans and progress of every brother whose name adorns the roster. There is no greater deteriorating force in civilization today than a strong urge to work and the inability to find an outlet for that desire. Hungry mouths, emaciated bodies, ill furnished homes, and the lack of the common necessities of life have driven nation after nation into the throes of revolution. There have emerged, over the face of the earth, those dictators who have substituted military preparation and military service for the productive arts, and the world is headed for chaos as we face a civilization that has corn and cotton in abundance, but no way of forming these into bread for the tables and cloth-

ing for the backs of millions of the people. It will take all the ingenuity and all the leaders of Freemasonry to produce an adjustment between the consuming power of the people and the producing power of mankind so that security may be found in what a man does rather than what he has, and that, once again, there may be heard throughout the nations of the world the sound of hammers as we build a new nation on the old site. This is Mason's challenge to the vocational needs of mankind.

"II. CULTURE AND EDUCATION

"There is a second background which is apparent as we read carefully the annals of Masonic history. That ritual, which we love so well, is richly freighted with the educational lore of five thousand years. As we hear the carefully intoned words repeat the beautiful story of birth, life, death, and the hereafter, we are aware of the teachings of Jesus and Plato, of Pythagoras and Shakespeare, of Paul Revere and George Washington. Together with the great thinkers and great patriots of all ages, they have poured of themselves richly into the whole scope of Masonic teachings until they have become a veritable treasure-trove of the best thoughts and highest ideals of all time.

"Masonry has always had an educational programme. The very fact that it is divided into degrees wherein one is taught to be a good beginner before he can become a servant, and a good servant before he can become a master, is at the very heart of Masonic tradition. Masonry has always been a liberal partner of the arts and sciences.

"As men erected their great structures, their minds contrived and their hands executed all their hopes and ambitions in stone, and iron, and bronze. So beautifully did they execute their dreams of beauty, so exquisitely did they carve the materials of their handicraft, so nobly did they mold the substance of their dreams that their temples have been called "frozen music." They made the applications of geometry and astronomy to the common tasks of the day, and men have read prophecies of future generations in the temples built centuries ago. They gained richly from the fields of the seven sciences and transmitted the lessons of the school room into patterns of human achievements that made life happier and brighter. It is little wonder that, with such a background, Masonry has always stood for free public education. Deeply imbedded in the grass roots of our institution we find an everlasting longing for an ability to comprehend Nature and understand the vagaries of the world in which we live. So,

wherever Masons have lived they have looked well to the support and defense of public education.

"This, too, has its implications in our present day. Whenever the dictators have risen to power, they have taken the public schools and have made them agents of propaganda. The infiltration of alien doctrines and the fertile seed bed for implanting alien ideas make the schools the most desirable objects of capture. We need to watch lest the 'r' in the 'little red school house' turn into a capital letter and these avenues for freedom be used to turn out agents for Communism, Naziism, and the modern brood of folly.

"If there is another supreme challenge that confronts Freemasonry today, it is that we watch well the public schools. These valuable handmaids of democracy and freedom stand alone in our modern civilization. Should the philosophy of public education be thwarted and the teachings of the schools be perverted, then there can be no hope for a free people left on the face of the earth.

"III. DEMOCRACY

"Along with Masonry's interest in a man's ability to work and providing him an opportunity to use that ability, and its interest in culture, the arts, sciences, and education, Masonry has always been the handmaid of democracy. At the altar which we love so well, we learn to free ourselves from those vices which hinder and which disturb in order to give ourselves freely to the pursuit of brotherly love, relief, and truth.

"As Masonry progressed in the civilized nations of the world, democracy progressed. It is again interesting to note that one of the first acts of a dictator is to close all Masonic Lodges. Masonry and a totalitarian state are incompatible. Where one exists, the other must perish. It has been a long and arduous trip that man has taken from the early days of barbarism to the heights of modern civliization. In that perilous tour he has forever sought freedom, personal integrity, and the full expression of self-hood. At last he came to the culmination of his inate capacity to rule himself, and there grew out of his creative genius a Magna Charta and the Bill of Rights, both written in Masonic terminology and by men who were imbued with the high principles of freedom and democracy. This was the flower of the political root, stock, and stem that had grown deeply into history and that finally emerged in the rare atmosphere of human control and human planting.

"Democracy is Masonry's great gift to mankind. We have always been taught to be kind and just. We have learned to consider the widows, the orphans, the children, and the aged. We have

drunk deeply at the spiritual fountain of religion and place our hands on the sacred volume of the Law to attest to our belief in God and immortality. Then, that we might be friends with God and taste of immortality, man's inventive capacity laid out a constitution of self-government, a provision for representative assembly, and the just application of laws. With these, there came into being the highest type of human relationships ever known on the face of the earth which blessed both Canada and the United States of America in a common bond of governmental understanding for well over a century.

"Today we stand at the forks of the road to determine whether that type of government or any type of government so conceived and so evolved can long endure in the face of what exists in an economic and immoral world.

"The supreme task which lies before Masonry today is to bind up the wounds of the body politic, to use liberally the oil of joy, and to re-establish a moral democracy that can withstand the terrors of any organized minority on the face of the earth. To this task Masonry must be dedicated or it must die. Its backgrounds have pointed the inescapable pathways of service, determination, and sacrifice. Should we waver at this point, it is certain that the book of the law will be forever closed, and the great lights forever dimmed as the ravages and monstrosities of totalitarianism stalk abroad in our fair lands and the civilization of which we are so proud will be forever doomed to a wakeless death.

"This is no time to betray those backgrounds which have made us love and prize our daily work, which have given us our public schools, and which have established us in the democratic Way of Life."

SHRINE CHANTERS

The Chanters sang several appropriate numbers to the delight of all present.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master, expressed to Bro. Victor Scott and the Chanters his personal thanks and those of the Brethren assembled, for the fine contribution they had made to our Grand Lodge Sessions.

He also extended thanks to V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon, our Grand Organist for his fine services as song leader and accompanist for the Chanters.

The Brethren supported the Grand Master in his remarks most heartily.

APPRECIATION

Grand Lodge passed the following resolutions of appreciation:

That we extend our sincere thanks to the management of the Fort Garry Hotel for the excellent accommodation provided for our Sessions and Committees, and to the Staff of the Hotel for their courteous and considerate attention.

That Grand Lodge gratefully acknowledges the generous support given by all those who gave so freely of their time and talents to assist in making our Annual Communication such a success.

These resolutions were given the unanimous approval of the Brethren.

REPORT OF THE SCRUTINEERS ON ELECTION

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Your Board of Scrutineers, appointed to conduct the Annual Election of Officers and eight members to the Board of General purposes for a term of two years make report as follows:

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND MASTER the name of J. J. Henderson, was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF DEPUTY GRAND MASTER the name of George R. Calvert, was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF SENIOR GRAND WARDEN the name of Stanley H. Fahrni, was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN the name of Ben C. Parker, was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND TREASURER the name of Alexander Burgess, was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY the name of J. H. G. Russell, was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND CHAPLAIN the name of Peter T. Pilkey, was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND HISTORIAN the name of William Douglas was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES the name of Chas. R. Sayer, was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND LIBRARIAN the name of C. E. Somerset, was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES fifteen names were submitted in nomination to serve a two year term, i.e:

John C. Bate	Chas. Midwinter
David A. Best	Cecil Philp
Wm. C. Birt	S. W. Robertson
F. W. Brownell	Jas. Scott
M. S. Donovan	Tom Stockdale
J. Ferguson Irwin	W. J. Wilson
K. R. Kennedy	S. A. Wood
Geo. Macaulay	

The number of ballots cast was 504 of which 18 were spoiled making the valid vote 486. The necessary quota to elect was 55. The following Brethren received the necessary quota or an equivalent to elect:

1. John C. Bate	5. K. R. Kennedy
2. Wm. C. Birt	6. Chas. Midwinter
3. W. S. Donovan	7. Thos. Stockdale
4. J. F. Irwin	8. S. A. Wood

All of which is fraternally submitted.

WM. DOUGLAS,
Chairman.

On motion of M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), seconded by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), the Report of the Scrutineers on Elections was received and adopted.

INSTALLATION OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

The Most Worshipful Grand Master, W. D. Lawrence, called on M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), to assume the gavel and install the Grand Lodge Officers.

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), called on R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer (10) Grand Director of Ceremonies, to assist him.

The following Past Masters took part in the ceremony of Installation.

M.W. Bro. Hon. W. J. Major (25)
M.W. Bro. James Mackie (4)

The following Grand Lodge Officers, Elected and Appointed, were duly installed in Office.

ELECTED

M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), Shoal Lake.....Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Rev. G. R. Calvert (1), Winnipeg, Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), Gladstone....Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker (4), Winnipeg....Junior Grand Warden
The other Grand Lodge Officers were re-elected to Office.

APPOINTED

V.W. Bro. Harry M. Smith (54), Melita.....Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson (106), Strathclair Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. J D. Harrower (67), Wawanesa..Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick (113), Brandon. Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon (130), Winnipeg.....Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. W. Paterson (136), Winnipeg.....Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. E. S. Reeves (121), St. James.....Grand Tyler

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

The following Brethren were chosen by the representatives of the Constituent Lodges of the respective Masonic

Districts present at Grand Lodge, and confirmed and declared elected by the M.W. the Grand Master Elect:

1st Masonic District, R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1) . . Winnipeg
2nd Masonic District, R.W. Bro. J. McKenzie (7), Por. la Prairie
3rd Masonic District, R.W. Bro. D. MacDonald (117) . . . . Ninette
4th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. Dr. W. A. Pommer (30), Manitou
5th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. C. H. Bayfield (92) . . Shoal Lake
6th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. A. E. Draper (86) . . . . . Elgin
7th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. Dr. O. S. Ross (43) . . . . . Virden
8th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70) . . . . Roland
9th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. J. M. Bateman (68) . . . . Dauphin
10th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. F. W. Brownell (148) . Winnipeg
12th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. A. L. Phillips (130) . . . Winnipeg

Most Worshipful Bro. J. J. Henderson, Grand Master Elect, expressed his thanks to M.W. Bro. Harry Woods and the other Installing Officers for their impressive Installation Ceremony.

PRESENTATIONS

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, retiring Grand Master presented M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, Grand Master Elect, with a Grand Master's Collar and Apron, on behalf of Grand Lodge, which M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson accepted with thanks and appreciation.

M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson then presented M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, retiring Grand Master, with a Past Grand Master's Jewel which he accepted and suitably acknowledged, wishing the Grand Master a successful and harmonious year.

The newly installed Grand Lodge Officers expressed their appreciation to the Brethren for the honors that had been shown them.

CLOSING OF GRAND LODGE

The business of Grand Lodge having been completed, the Sixty-fifth Annual Communication was closed in Ample Form after prayer by R.W. Bro. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Chaplain.

J. H. G. Russell

Grand Secretary.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS
ELECTED AND APPOINTED FOR 1940-1941

Grand Master.....M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102) Shoal Lake
Deputy Grand Master.R.W. Bro. Rev. G. R. Calvert (1).Winnipeg
Senior Grand Warden.R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11) ...Gladstone
Junior Grand Warden.R.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker (4)....Winnipeg
Grand Treasurer.....R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3).....Winnipeg
Grand Secretary.....R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114).Winnipeg
Grand Chaplain.....R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey (25).Winnipeg
Grand Historian.....M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)....Winnipeg
G. D. of Ceremonies..R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer (10).....Winnipeg
Grand Librarian.....R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset (2)..Selkirk

Senior Grand Deacon.V.W. Bro. Harry M. Smith (54)....Melita
Junior Grand Deacon.V.W. Bro. G.V.Henderson (106) Strathclair
Senior Grand Steward V.W. Bro. J. D. Harrower (67)..Wawanesa
Junior Grand Steward V.W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick (113)..Brandon
Grand Organist.....V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon (130).....Winnipeg
Grand Pursuivant....V.W. Bro. W. Paterson (136)....Winnipeg
Grand Tyler.....V.W. Bro. E. S. Reeves (121)....St. James

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3rd Masonic District.R.W. Bro. D. MacDonald (117)....Ninette
4th Masonic District.R.W. Bro. Dr. W. A. Pommer (30).Manitou
5th Masonic District.R.W. Bro. C. H. Bayfield (92)..Shoal Lake
6th Masonic District.R.W. Bro. A. E. Draper (86).....Elgin
7th Masonic District.R.W. Bro. Dr. O. S. Ross (43).....Virden
8th Masonic District.R.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70)....Roland
9th Masonic District.R.W. Bro. J. M. Bateman (68)....Dauphin
10th Masonic District.R.W. Bro. F. W. Brownell (148).Winnipeg
12th Masonic District.R.W. Bro. Alf. Phillips (130)....Winnipeg

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

PRESIDENT:

R.W. Bro. Rev. G. R. Calvert (1), Deputy Grand Master.Winnipeg

VICE-PRESIDENT:

R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), Senior Grand Warden....Winnipeg

BY VIRTUE OF OFFICE:

M.W. Bro. Rev. S. P. Matheson (10), Past Grand Master.Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. E. A. Braithwaite (10) Past Grand Master..Edmonton
M.W. Bro. James Scroggie (10), Past Grand Master...Vancouver
M.W. Bro. H. J. Pugh (113), Past Grand Master.North Battleford

M.W. Bro. E. M. Walker (10), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. William Fenwick (113), Past Grand Master...Brandon
M.W. Bro. Henry E. Bletcher (1), Past Grand Master...Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Ed. T. Greenway (71), Past Grand Master..Crystal City
M.W. Bro. Albert J. Hatcher (19), Past Grand Master...Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Geo. N. Jackson (25), Past Grand Master....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Rev. Dr. A. B. Baird (1), Past Grand Master.Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. William J. Major (25), Past Grand Master...Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Jas. S. MacEwing (51), Past Grand Master...Treherne
M.W. Bro. Albert L. Crossin (10), Past Grand Master...Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. J. C. Walker Reid (86), Past Grand Master..Underhill
M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller (25), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. William Douglas (4), Past Grand Master....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. George Hunter (40), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Norman J. Black (3), Past Grand Master....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. David S. Woods (90), Past Grand Master....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. James Mackie (4), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Geo. N. Weir (60 G.R.S.), Hon. P.G.M.....Victoria
M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt (130), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd (140), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins (68), Past Grand Master....Dauphin
M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25), Past Grand Master...Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), Grand Master.....Shoal Lake
R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4), Junior Grand Warden...Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3), Grand Treasurer.....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), Grand Secretary.....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. E. G. Hunt (3), Hon. Member.....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. T. A. Argue (55), Hon. Member.....Winnipeg
W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), Hon. Member.....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset (2), Hon. Member.....Selkirk
R.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1),D.D.G.M. 1st Masonic Dist. Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. McKenzie (7), D.D.G.M. 2nd Mas. Dist. Por.la Prairie
R.W. Bro. D. MacDonald (117), D.D.G.M. 3rd Mas. Dist...Ninette
R.W. Bro. Dr. W.A. Pommer (30), D.D.G.M. 4th Mas. Dist. Manitou
R.W. Bro. C. H. Bayfield (92), D.D.G.M. 5th Mas. Dist. Shoal Lake
R.W. Bro. A. E. Draper (86), D.D.G.M. 6th Masonic District, Elgin
R.W. Bro. Dr. O. S. Ross (43), D.D.G.M. 7th Mas. Dist....Virden
R.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70), D.D.G.M. 8th Mas. Dist. Roland
R.W. Bro. J. M. Bateman (68), D.D.G.M. 9th Mas. Dist...Dauphin
R.W. Bro. F.W.Brownell (148), D.D.G.M.10th Mas. Dist.Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Alf Phillips (130), D.D.G.M. 12th Mas. Dist...Winnipeg

ELECTED BY GRAND LODGE

V.W. Bro. W. C. Birt (4).....Winnipeg
W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4).....Winnipeg
W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24).....Neepawa
R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate (50).....Killarney

R.W. Bro. Chas. Midwinter (11) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (113) ..... Brandon
R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood (144) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Tom Stockdale (145) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon (3) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Sam Burland (12) ..... St. Vital
R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters (25) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. Frank Dart (93) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr (113) ..... Brandon
R.W. Bro. Wm. McLellan (114) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green (143) ..... Winnipeg

STANDING COMMITTEES OF BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

The first name is Chairman of the Committee

JURISPRUDENCE AND APPEALS

R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan — M.W. Bro. W. J. Major
R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green — Wor. Bro. K. R. Kennedy

CONDITION OF FREEMASONRY

R.W. Bro. B. C. Parker
R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate — M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt
R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer — M.W. Bro. George Hunter
Wor. Bro. A. E. Boyle

CORRESPONDENCE

R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr
M.W. Bro. George Hunter — R.W. Bro. T. A. Argue
V.W. Bro. W. C. Birt — Wor. Bro. J. F. Irwin

INVESTMENTS

R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters
M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd — M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt
R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess — R.W. Bro. Wm. McLellan

FINANCE

R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter
R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess — M.W. Bro. Jas. Mackie
R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon — R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood

BENEVOLENCE

R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon
M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd — M.W. Bro. George Hunter
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas — M.W. Bro. W. J. Major
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods

RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
M.W. Bro. H. E. Bletcher — M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
R.W. Bro. Sam Burland — R.W. Bro. B. C. Parker
R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer

FOREIGN RELATIONS

M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate — R.W. Bro Wm. McLellan
R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green — R.W. Bro. Tom Stockdale

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods
M.W. Bro. N. J. Black — M.W. Bro. Jas. Mackie
M.W. Bro. Wm. Fenwick — M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
R.W. Bro. Sam. Burland — M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller
R.W. Bro. J. Frank Dart — Wor. Bro. J. F. Irwin

FRATERNAL DEAD

R.W. Bro. Rev. G. R. Calvert
R.W. Bro. J. Frank Dart — R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter
R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni — R.W. Bro. Tom Stockdale

CREDENTIALS AND ELECTION

V.W. Bro. W. C. Birt
R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr — R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters
Wor. Bro. K. R. Kennedy — R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood

REPORTS OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your approval a report of my activities as your representative for the year 1939-1940.

W. Bro. H. A. Innes, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, was appointed Secretary. W. Bro. W. J. Besant, Norwood Lodge No. 119, was appointed Chaplain. V.W. Bro. W. Percy White, was re-elected Treasurer. These three, with Immediate Past D.D.G.M. Bro. H. T. Waters, were the District Officers for the year. I made my official visits as follows:

Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.....September 18th
Northern Light Lodge No. 10.....September 21st
Ionic Lodge No. 25.....October 2nd
St. John's Lodge No. 4.....October 4th
Acacia Lodge No. 111.....October 11th
Prince Rupert Lodge No. 1.....October 17th
King Edward Lodge No. 93.....October 18th
"The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114.....November 7th
St. James Lodge No. 121.....November 8th
Norwood Lodge No. 119.....November 9th
Empire Lodge No. 127.....November 13th

On all of these visits I was accompanied by a large number of Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Lodge Officers, and Past Masters; and was received with Grand Honors and given a very hearty welcome. As your representative, I was asked on many occasions to convey to you the love and esteem in which you are held by the Masons of the Lodges in the First Masonic District.

At the time of my official visits, I witnessed Degree work in only two Lodges, Prince Rupert No. 1 and Acacia No. 111, but I am pleased to report that I visited every lodge but one in the District unofficially, and witnessed Degree work in every lodge except one. One thing that impressed me very much was the able manner in which the Degrees were conferred, and the splendid support given by the Past Masters in all lodges.

The average attendance at all lodges has been just about the same as in previous years. It is pleasing to note that during the

past year the lodges of this District entertained a large number of sister lodges from both the First and Twelfth Districts.

One lodge entertained ten lodges during the period from September to April, and one lodge was host to four lodges in April, two at the regular meeting and two at an emergent meeting.

I am pleased to report that the decrease in membership during the past year has been only one-half of what it was the previous year; in fact, three lodges in the District had a gain in membership. I feel confident that in the very near future the membership in the District will show an increase. During the year three secretaries, who had held office for a long period, resigned; namely: W. Bro. Geo. Syme, of Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, of St. John's Lodge No. 4, and V.W.Bro. Geo. White, of "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114. Their offices have been filled by W. Bro. Wm. Hutton, M.W. Bro. Jas. Mackie, and W.Bro. W. Johnston, respectively; all of whom are well-skilled and very efficient. These lodges are to be congratulated on their choices.

I had the honor and pleasure to attend several special events, namely: Canadian Night at "The Assiniboine" Lodge; Irish Night at King Edward Lodge; Past Masters' Night at Prince Rupert Lodge; Ancient Landmark Lodge and Acacia Lodge; and Old-Timers' Night at Ancient Landmark Lodge. It was a pleasure also to be present at the First Annual Father and Son banquet of King Edward Lodge. This Lodge and Ionic Lodge will hold these banquets yearly and are to be commended on the idea of entertaining the sons of members, those sons who we hope will some day be members of our order.

Through the kindness of the members I was present at several social functions and was welcomed most heartily, and it was with deep regret that I was unable to accept two invitations owing to previous engagements.

The occasions on which I accompanied the Grand Master on his visits will always remain as pleasant memories and outstanding events of my year in office; especially his visit to Flin Flon on September 12th, where I had the privilege of assisting the Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers in laying the cornor stone of the new Masonic Temple of Flin Flon Lodge and attending the first meeting in the new temple in the evening. This was followed by a visit to The Pas Lodge on September 13th. It was a rare treat to one who had never been north of 53 to enjoy the hospitality of the Brethren in the North Country. I was present at the meeting of the Eighth Masonic District held at Dominion City and the 60th Anniversary of Stonewall Lodge No. 12 at Stonewall.

Accompanied by the District Officers and Sitting Masters, also a large number of Past Masters of the First Masonic District, I was present at the meeting of the Twelfth Masonic District and wish

to congratulate R.W. Bro. Sid. A. Wood, on the success of his meeting. I also accompanied R.W. Bro. Wood on his official visit to Windsor Lodge and noted with pleasure the splendid reception tendered him.

Through the kind invitation of the Past Masters' Association, I witnessed the Installed Masters' Degree conferred in splendid manner by M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt, and later accepted their kind invitation to be present at their spring meeting, where M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods addressed the members in his usual able manner. The Past Masters' Association is doing a splendid work in the First and Twelfth Districts.

On the recommendation of my predecessor, R.W. Bro. Harvey Waters, the meeting of the First Masonic District was held on Saturday, October 28th, with a record attendance of 264, which included over seventy Brethren from North Dakota who with M.W. Bro. Harry Gill and R.W. Bro. Leon Pettit, helped to make our meeting a real International affair. R.W. Bro. Sid. A. Wood, D.D.G.M. of the Twelfth Masonic District, accompanied by a large number of Sitting Masters and Past Masters, was introduced by W. Bro. H. A. Innes, District Secretary. M.W. Bro. Harry Gill, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, with R.W. Bro. Leon Pettit, D.D.G.M., of the First Masonic District of North Dakota and over seventy Brethren from North Dakota, were introduced By R.W. Bro. Harvey Waters. M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, accompanied by a number of Grand Lodge Officers, was introduced by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black. All distinguished Brethren were received with Grand Honors.

M.W. Bro. Lawrence in his usual capable manner delivered an inspiring address. M.W. Bro. Gill and R.W. Bro. Rev. Geo. R. Calvert, Senior Grand Warden, followed with splendid addresses. All the speakers were listened to with rapt attention and heartily applauded.

I want to take this opportunity of thanking the Brethren of the First Masonic District for the honor they paid me in electing me to the office of D.D.G.M., to the District Officers, W. Bro. Besant, Chaplain; V.W. Bro. White, Treasurer; W. Bro. H. A. Innes, Secretary; and R.W. Bro. Harvey Waters, Immediate Past D.D. G.M. who have so ably supported me during my term of office; also the Grand Lodge Officers, Past D.D.G.M's, Sitting Masters and Past Masters who accompanied me in such goodly numbers on my visits and in conclusion, I want to express my sincere appreciation for the privilege of serving as D.D.G.M. and hope that I have in some small degree merited this honor.

Fraternally submitted,

J. C. GRANT,
D.D.G.M. First Masonic District.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A. F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I beg to submit my report as your District Deputy Grand Master in the Second Masonic District for the year 1939-1940. Owing to the good weather it was my pleasure to visit all the Lodges in the District twice and some three and four times. I attended Divine Service in five Lodges, also attended six District Meetings apart from my own on an invitation from the Grand Master and other District Deputies. I made in all thirty-three visits throughout the District and on all occasions was accompanied by a party varying in number from three to fifteen. I was received in all cases as your representative with the Grand honours and the Brethren accompanying me were very hospitably entertained.

On July 20th, I made my first Official Visit to Union Lodge No. 108, Brookdale. There were no degrees conferred. This Lodge is in good shape, no liabilities, own their Lodge Room; a very enthusiastic Lodge with money in the Bank. R.W. Bro. J. P. Lawrie, drove 400 miles that day to be home for the meeting. R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni was the guest speaker of the evening. His address was very much appreciated by the Brethren. Followed by lunch.

On July 26th, I paid my Official Visit to Gothic Lodge No. 75, at Austin, Manitoba. The Lodge was opened in a creditable manner and the Entered Apprentice Degree conferred very efficiently. Two carloads were present from Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, and one carload from Temple Lodge No. 49. I gave a short talk on "Freemasonry in our District" and was well pleased with the reception I received. On my visit I gave words of encouragement to carry on during these distressing times. W. Bro. E. J. Cresswell was the guest speaker of the evening. His address on "The Three Great Lights of Masonry" was much appreciated. R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, Junior Grand Warden, gave a short address, and several Brethren from Assiniboine Lodge also spoke congratulating Gothic Lodge on the manner in which the Entered Apprentice Degree was conferred. We partook of a very fine lunch.

On August 14th, I made my Official Visit to Gladstone Lodge No. 11, at Gladstone. The meeting was well attended, two carloads coming from Wellwood No. 116. Union Lodge No. 108 accompanied R.W. Bro. J. P. Lawrie, who was the guest speaker of the evening. His address was very instructive, based on the working tools of Masonry and its uses in our daily life. This Lodge is in a good condition and own their Temple.

I addressed the Brethren briefly at Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, on the 18th of September, on the occasion of my Official Visit. The Lodge conferred the Eentered Apprentice Degree in a very skillful mannr. R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, J.G.W., spoke a few complimentary words. R.W. Bro. Jas. McIntosh was guest speaker, his topic, "The Friendly Road" was well received, as usual. This is the pioneer Lodge in the District, is in a flourishing condition and owns a beautiful Temple.

On September 19th, I officially visited Temple Lodge No. 49, MacGregor. There was a good attendance. The Entered Apprentice Degree was conferred in a very able manner. I spoke a few words of appreciation and encouragement, and congratulated them on their work. W. Bro. Wm. Ried, was the guest speaker, and as a topic spoke on "Our Neighbours as Masons." He gave many practical illustrations which were very much enjoyed by all. This Lodge has their work well in hand and is a going concern. They own their Temple. We were treated to lunch and we enjoyed their fraternalism.

R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, W. Bro. Chas. McLaughlin, W. Bro. Geo. Fraser, and myself were invited by the Grand Master to accompany him on his visit to the District Meetings at Swan River, Flin Flon and La Pas, September 12th to 14th. We had a very fine District Meeting the first afternoon at Swan River, the dedication of the Masonic Temple at Flin Flon on the 12th, and District Meeting at La Pas, on the 13th. We were graciously received throughout this trip.

On September 26th, I visited Carberyy Lodge No. 29. The guest speaker was R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, and his topic, "The Great Rivers of Canada," illustrating the flow of the principles of Freemasonry. There were no degrees conferred. This Lodge is decidedly on th up grade, does excellent work and owns its Temple.

On October 2nd, I visited St. Andrews Lodge No. 116, R.W. Bro. W. G. Pollock was the guest speaker, and gave a very instructive address on "What is Expected of a Freemason." W. Bro. Cresswell spoke of the difficulties confronting the Lodge at present, but I addressed the meeting encouraging them to carry on.

On October 12th, I paid my Official Visit to McCreary Lodge No. 133. This was a splendid meeting. The guest speaker W. Bro. F. Irwin, chose for his topic, "The Twenty-Four Inch Guage." It worked in very well as the Lodge conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree on Captain Chas W. Fletcher, of the C.E.F. I briefly addressed the Lodge congratulating the officers on the conduct of their Lodge and their degree work, and W. Bro. Irwin, on his splendid address.

On November 14th, I officially visited Neepawa Lodge No. 24. R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni was the guest speaker, his topic "The Principle of Freemasonry," and referred to our trip to Flin Flon. I congratulated the officers on the very efficient manner in which their work was carried on, also the election of officers. This is a banner Lodge. I also visited Neepawa Lodge No. 24, on December 12th, 1939, at their installation of officers and saw them confer the Master Mason Degree in a very efficient manner.

At Carberry Lodge No. 29, on December 26th, I attended their installation of officers. This was a joint installation of Carberry No. 29, and Gothic No. 75. The work was put on by Gothic No. 75 in a most efficient and impressive manner. W. Bro. J. F. Irwin, presented Carberry Lodge No. 29 with a perfect-ashlar in a most gracious manner. Many suitable replies were made.

Our Second Masonic District Meeting was held in Gladstone, October 10th, 1939, afternoon session in the Temple followed by a banquet and evening session in the Town Hall.

Officers present:

R.W. Bro. W. M. Jackson.....D.D.G.M
W. Bro. S. H. Prouse, Assiniboine Lodge No. 7...S.W.
W. Bro. A. Brown, Temple Lodge No. 49.....J.W.
W. Bro. E. J. Cresswell, Gladstone Lodge No. 11, ...Secretary
Bro. J. L. Pottruff, Gladstone Lodge No. 11, Chaplain
W. Bro. A. Clark, Neepawa Lodge No. 24.....D. of C.
W. Bro. E. L. Westman, Gothic Lodge No. 75.....S.D.
W. Bro. J. L. Thompson, Carberry Lodge No. 29..J.D.
W. Bro. R. Barrett, Union Lodge No. 108.....S.S.
W. Bro. A. Fraser, St. Andrews Lodge No. 116....J.S.
W. Bro. P. Belford, McCreary Lodge No. 133....Tyler

The District was especially honoured by the presence of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, and all but two of the elected officers of the Grand Lodge, four Past Grand Masters, three visiting District Deputy Grand Masters. Our nine Lodges were all well represented and we were favoured by several Lodges in other districts.

I wish to express here my personal appreciation for the attendance of Freemasons from such distances, particularly Districts No. 1 and No. 12, in Winnipeg and from Brandon. Their attendance was a great inspiration to all of us. After I gave my address of welcome, Assiniboine Lodge No. 7 gave an exemplification of the Entered Apprentice Degree which was done in a manner so efficient as to create much favourable comment. M.W. Bro. Lawrence presented R.W. Bro. Jos. Morris with his P.D.D.G. Master Apron. R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, D.G.M., gave a short but most instructive address on "What is Masonry Built Upon?" R.W.

Bro. Geo. Calvert, S.G.W., addressed the meeting on "Opportunities of Freemasonry Today." R.W Bro. S. H. Fahrni, J.G.W., gave an address on "Rectitude of Character Inspired by Freemasonry." R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, the Grand Secretary, congratulated the District Deputy on the fine meeting, and explained some of the new points of the New Constitution. R.W. Bro. A. Burgess, the Grand Treasurer, spoke a few words, and extended an invitation to all who would like to attend International Night at the Masonic Temple, Winnipeg, on October 28th. R.W. Bro. Pilkey, Grand Chaplain gave a short address in which he recommended that speakers, stand up, speak up and shut up. Brevity has a charm of its own. M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Grand Master, gave the address of the evening. He congratulated the District Deputy on such a splendid meeting, and congratulated R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni on his election to Junior Grand Warden. His topic was "The Masonic Principles Embodied in the British Constitution." He handled his topic in a very able manner, a wonderful address, and appreciated by everyone. W. Bro. John McKenzie, Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, was nominated for District Deputy Grand Master for 1940-1941. One-hundred and ninety sat down to the district banquet at 6.30 p.m. The District Meeting closed with a lunch, followed by Auld Lang Syne and God Save the King.

On March 11th, 1940, I visited Gladstone Lodge No. 11. All officers were present excepting the Junior Warden who was ill in hospital. The new officers were efficient in their work. I addressed the Lodge and suggested a picnic of Masonic District No. 2. Also gave words of encouragement and counsel.

On March 12th, 1940, I visited Neepawa Lodge No. 24. The new officers were keen and becoming very efficient in the work. Bro. Blackwell, J.W., conducted a query contest. Two Captains were picked and they chose a team of five. The questions were mostly on Grand Lodge and when the smoke cleared the District Deputy was the last up. He was presented with a Masonic Encyclopedia

On March 14th, 1940, I visited McCreary Lodge with W. Bro. E. J. Cresswell and W. Bro. H. Hubble. There were 18 members present and the officers had their work well in hand. An exceptionally good address was given by Bro. Cook, one of their youngest members While McCreary Lodge has only recently been assigned to this district, it has been well received and has established itself as a keen and forward looking Lodge, holding to the fore always the principles of the Order.

I visited Stonewall Lodge No. 12, on the invitation of the Grand Master, the occasion being that Lodge's Diamond Jubilee. Eleven Gladstone Brethren accompanied me. There were 124 present at the afternoon meeting with a banquet in the evening.

The Grand Master gave a very stirring address. Other Grand Lodge officers followed. Stonewall No. 12, received many deserving compliments.

On May 2nd. Neepawa Lodge No. 24 was "At Home" to Gladstone Lodge No 11, its Mother Lodge and Shoal Lake Lodge No. 92, its Daughter Lodge. The Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden, and S. G. Deacon, and their ladies, were present, 174 in all. Besides being a family affair it was unique in being a get-together of York Rite Masons, accompanied by their ladies. There was a very fine banquet, followed by a varied programme and dancing.

May 20th, on invitation from McCreary Lodge No. 133, W. Bro. Cresswell, Bro. Cawley, R.W. Bro. Fahrni and myself accompanied that Lodge, on the occasion of their presenting to Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, the Fred Leech Travelling Register. Bro. R. M. Cawley was the guest speaker, his topic. "My Visit to the Old Country Lodge," was very interesting. All present spent a very enjoyable evening.

On May 21st, 1940, I visited Temple Lodge No. 49, at MacGregor. They conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree in a very dignified and impressive manner The officers have their work in excellent shape. The evening closed with refreshments.

I am very glad to report that Freemasonry in the Second Masonic District is making headway notwithstanding difficult times. The best of feeling prevails between the Lodges and much visitation goes on. As will be noted these visits are not restricted to the district. All the Lodges but two own their Temples. While new members are always a source of inspiration, they are not the only source. This fact is well known and appreciated by all the Lodges in this district. Not one lacks for something interesting.

And in closing permit me to thank the Brethren who so kindly consented to be our guest speakers on my Official Visits throughout the district, as well as those who accompanied me. Much appreciation was shown by all the Lodges, and in so doing encouraged more members to visit with them wherever they went. At this time I also want to thank R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, Junior Grand Warden for the very great assistance that he gave me on my Official Visits. The members of the Second Masonic District were delighted to have a Grand Lodge Officer in our district. I also thank the other Brehren who accompanied me on my visits. I wish to thank W. Bro. E J. Cresswell, my District Secretary, for the loyal support given to me. He was a wonderful help in every way during my term of office, accompying me on every visit. And also to thank the Brethren of the Second Masonic District for the honour that you conferred upon me in electing me your District Deputy Grand Master. To me my term of office has been the happiest year of my

Masonic career. In serving this District I have endeavored to do my duty, as I saw it, and the Brethren of the District have surely done theirs; for which I thank you all. I will always cherish the memories of your loyalty and friendliness. I would bespeak for my successor the same loyal support you have accorded me, knowing that it will uphold and strengthen him to the same degree.

All of which is sincerely and fraternally submitted.

W. M JACKSON,
D.D.G.M. Second Masonic District.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I now submit to you my report of the activities as your District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 3, during the years of 1939-1940.

My first duty was at the District Meeting which was held at Swan Lake on the 6th day of October. 1939. Opening in form at 3.15 p.m. The afternoon session was of an informal nature. Topics of various subjects were discussed

W. Bro. O. W. Couch, of Swan Lake Lodge No. 109, gave the address of welcome to the visiting Brethren. After the official report was received from each Lodge represented, a very fine and interesting paper was given by R.W. Bro. R C. Parsons, of Treherne Lodge No. 51, "On Life Membership, its Aims and Privileges." Considerable discussion arose, which finally dissolved the afternoon meeting into one of Committee on Uniformity of Life Membership for the several Lodges of District No. 3.

At 6.15 p.m a very fine banquet was served to the Brethren by the ladies of Swan Lake United church, followed by the usual toasts, and a short musical programme.

The evening session opened at 8 p.m., with all but one Lodge in the District represented.

We were honored by the presence of the M.W. the Grand Master W. D. Lawrence, accompanied by M.W. Bro. Harry Wood and R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

While a very fine fraternal spirit existed, there was an air of sadness owing to the recent declaration of war by the British Empire.

The M.W. the Grand Master addressed the meeting at this time in a very able and appropriate manner, on the subject of "Democracy." R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, in his usual pleasant manner answered questions, and handed out instruction on Masonic topics.

M.W Bro. Harry Wood preformed the very pleasant feature of the evening, when he presented the Past District Deputy Grand Master's Apron to R.W. Bro. A. S. Hames. of Glenboro Lodge No. 48.

Taking advantage of the pleasant weather conditions, I was able to make my Officials Visits to the several Lodges of the District as follows:

Wawanesa No. 67, on.....October 23, 1939
Strathcona No. 117, on.....October 24, 1939
Treherne No. 51, on.....October 27, 1939
Cypress No. 82, on.....November 2, 1939
Holland No. 63, on.....November 8, 1939
Glenboro No. 48, on.....November 13, 1939
Rathwell No. 87, on.....November 21, 1939
Crescent No. 103, on.....November 22, 1939
Swan Lake No. 109, on.....April 17, 1940

I made a second visit to Glenboro No. 48, and Strathcona No. 117, in an official capacity, on the evenings of their regular April meetings, and as at all my previous visits, I was received in a most kindly manner. I visited other Lodges in the District, "not officially" and always received a royal welcome.

The condition of Masonry in District No. 3, I would say, is in a healthy flourishing condition. The true Masonic spirit is very prevelant. Most every Lodge in the District have added a new member while some have had as many as five.

I wish to thank the Brethren of the several Lodges for the very kindly reception tendered me on my Official Visits, making my year's work one of pleasure.

I also wish to thank the Brethren of my own Lodge, for their loyal support, by supplying means of conveyance and accompanying me on my visits. The District Secretary who never failed and the District Chaplain Bro. Syms, who being a resident of Belmont village so often went out of his way to visit with us, and lend his word of wisdom in such a kindly manner.

While the attendance at some of the meetings was not as large as we would like to see, it is due in every case to scattered membership, not indifference.

The work is well put on, the stronger Lodges ever ready and willing to assist when asked.

In closing let me thank the Brethren of District No. 3 for the confidence placed in me by allowing me to represent them as their District Deputy Grand Master for 1939 and 1940.

Fraternally submitted,

G. O. COUCH,
D.D.G.M. Third Masonic District.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master for the Fourth Masonic District.

The District Meeting was held in Boissevain, on July 28th, 1939. The Meeting was honored by the attendance of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, and he was accompanied by R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, D.G.M.; R.W. Bro. G. R. Calvert, G.S.W.; R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, J.G.W.; R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary and M.W. Bros. H. Wood, Wm. Douglas, J. T. Boyd, all P.G.M.'s and seventy-six Brethren from the District were present.

The afternoon session of the meeting was taken over entirely by business pertaining to the District and good discussions came out of many subjects, particularly the method to be adopted by this District as to the recommendation for appointment of the D.D.G.M. the outcome of this was a motion which was passed, that the method to be adopted by this District was one similar to Grand Lodge Elections of Officers, that is nominations be submitted and ballots printed and voted on.

W. Bro. Pommer, of Manitou Lodge No. 30, was selected by the District Meeting as the Brother to be recommended to the Grand Master for appointment as D.D.G.M. for 1940-1941, for this District.

M.W. Bro. H. Woods, presided over a successful and educational Lodge of instruction.

After a splendid banquet the District Meeting resumed labor and the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and his suite were received with grand honors and expressions of loyalty and esteem on the part of the Brethren of the District.

R.W. Bro. G. R. Calvert, presented on behalf of the District a P.D.D.G.M. Apron to R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate.

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master delivered a most eloquent and inspiring address which I have found has been most helpful in maintaining the true spirit of Freemasonry throughout the District during the year.

I officially visited and addressed the various Lodges of the District as follows:

Mound No. 118.....September 28th, 1939
Manitou No. 30.....October 3rd, 1939
Killarney No. 50.....October 16th, 1939
Belmont No. 13.....October 19th, 1939
Crystal No. 70.....October 24th, 1939
Cartwright No. 150.....October 26th, 1939
Doric No. 36.....November 28th, 1939

As your representative I was loyally received on each of these visits. I found harmony prevailing and the various Lodges in a healthy condition. On these visits I stressed the sympathetic handling of arrears of dues and I am glad to be able to report that the Lodges are doing this with very beneficial results, and that the craft is weathering the times in a most satisfactory manner I am convinced that the present time of stress is developing in the Brethren a true appreciation of the fundamental principles of its Order.

The conferring of Degrees, which I have been privileged to witness, have been without exception conducted in a very dignified and impressive manner and judging by the effective way in which the Junior Officers discharged their duties, I am sure, the work of conferring Degrees and conducting the business of the various Lodges is in very safe and capable hands for the future.

I particularly noticed that the visitations of the Lodges in this District to lodges in the same district is not done very regularly and I submit this is due to the geographic nature rather than neglect or indifference.

In conclusion Most Worshipful Sir, may I say that it has been a great privilege to serve you. I appreciate very much the honor that the Brethren of the District conferred on me and hope that my efforts have merited your approval as well as the approbation of the Brethren in the District. I have tried to discharge the duties of my office to the best of my ability.

To the District Secretary, W. Bro. R. J. McKenzie, I cannot find words with which suitably to express my sincere appreciation. He has been a tower of strength to me during the entire year and I believe it is Brethren like W. Bro. McKenzie who give unstintingly of their time and ability to the welfare of the craft, who contribute so much to the success of Grand Lodge in particular and Masonry in general.

Fraternally submitted,

EDWARD DOW,
D.D.G.M. Fourth Masonic District.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit to you my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Fifth Masonic District.

During my term of office I visited all the Lodges in the District officially as follows:

Shellmouth No. 129	August 3rd
Harmony No. 142	August 17th
Miniota No. 102	August 24th
Corinthian No. 15	September 5th
Russell No. 62	September 12th
Prince of Wales No. 14	September 14th
Binscarth No. 101	September 19th
Shoal Lake No. 92	October 11th
Strathclair No. 106	October 23rd
Hamiota No. 84	October 24th
Rivers No. 115	October 30th
Foxwarren No. 152	November 1st
Birtle No. 39	January 23rd

On each occasion I was fittingly received as your representative.

A truly Masonic spirit exists in the District, there does not appear to be any friction or discord in any of the Lodges. The majority of the officers are a credit to their Lodges. I saw several Degrees exemplified and the work well done.

A number of the Lodges find the going hard, as on account of poor crops the last few years there have been very few initiations and their membership is small. In most of the Lodges the

officers are ably assisted by Past Masters in preparing candidates, etc.

The District Meeting was held at Birtle, on August 30th, with an attendance of one hundred, all Lodges in the District were represented but two, the Sitting Masters acting as Officers.

W. Bro. H. L. Edwards, Master of Birtle Lodge gave a short address of welcome to the Brethren. The selection of a nominee, for the office of District Deputy Grand Master, to be submitted to the District Meeting held during the annual communication of Grand Lodge, resulted in the nomination of W. Bro. H. H. Pollock, of Shoal Lake.

During the afternoon session two splendid addresses were given, one by R.W. Bro. William Dick, P.D.G.M., on "Masonic Advertising," and one by W. Bro. E. H. Clark, of Prince of Wales Lodge, on "The Spirit of Freemasonry."

At 6:30 p.m. a complimentary supper was tendered the Brethren which was made more enjoyable by the lovely music provided by V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon, Grand Lodge organist.

At the evening session the Most Worshipful Grand Master gave a splendid address which was greatly enjoyed by all the Brethren.

Other Grand Lodge officers present were R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, Deputy Grand Master; R;W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary; M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, P.G.M. and V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon, Grand Organist. M.W. Bro. Harry Woods spoke on the work of the benevolent committee. R.W. Bro. Henderson spoke on his Masonic interests and Grand Lodge work.

The presentation of a Past District Deputy Grand Master's regalia was made to R.W. Bro. Wm. Dick, by R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson on behalf of the Brethren of the Fifth Masonic District, in appreciation of his valuable services during the past year.

Another pleasing ceremony at the evening session was the presentation to R.W. Bro. Henderson by the Grand Master, of Honorary Deputy Grand Master's Certificates from the Grand Lodges of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

In conclusion I wish to thank the members of the Fifth Masonic District for the way they received me on my Official Visits.

To the members of my own Lodge and to V.W. Bro. C. L. Dutton who acted as District Secretary, I tender my grateful thanks for their loyal support during the past year.

F. C. BARBER,
D.D.G.M. Fifth Masonic District.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is my privilege and pleasure as your representative to present the official report of the Sixth Masonic District for the past year.

To assist me in my duties, I was favored with the assistance of W. Bro. H. L. Morrow as District Secretary, and R.W. Bro. M. P. Floyd, District Chaplain.

For the most part the District showed progress. Lodges which in the past had been faced with financial and other problems are now more firmly on their feet, while others which had not shown such difficulties continued to show even greater progress. A large part of the District had been situated in what is known as the drouth area of the Province, and it is indeed a great tribute to the Lodges and its members that they have kept pace in their Masonic activities with the slow but certain return of economic recovery and stability.

The District Meeting, held at Melita, on October 17th, was a most successful gathering. On that occasion we were favored with the presence of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary, P.G.M. M.W. Bro. Harry Wood and many other distinguished visitors, and last but not least our ever popular Grand Organist, V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon. P.G.M.W. Bro. Harry Wood rendered a great service to the District by his interpretation and explanation of various portions of the Work, and we feel that closer uniformity will result therefrom.

The address of the Grand Master M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence will be long remembered. With war clouds hovering over the Empire, his address brought inspiration and encouragement and the District is truly grateful for his leadership.

Much to my regret, circumstances prevented me from visiting the various Lodges only once during my term of office. These visits were as follows:

Hartney No. 52 ..... October 3rd, 1939
Kilwinning No. 110 ..... October 9th, 1939
Elgin No. 86 ..... October 10th, 1939
Reston No. 104 ..... October 12th, 1939
Glenwood No. 27 ..... October 13th, 1939
Deloraine No. 40 ..... November 1st, 1939
Napinka No. 77 ..... November 2nd, 1939
Oriental No. 54 ..... January 5th, 1940

At all of these visits I was received with the utmost kindness and respect, and was deeply moved by the true fraternal spirit and co-operation which prevailed. It can be truly said that the Lodges in the Sixth Masonic District are capably and wisely governed.

In arranging these various visits I was confronted with the fact that all Lodges meet during the first two weeks of the month, and which under certain circumstances may create some undue hardship in making official or fraternal visits. It has been suggested that some change in this respect could be easily and profitably affected. This suggestion I pass on to my successor in office for further consideration.

In conclusion I wish to thank the members of my own Lodge, Oriental No. 54, for their co-operation and assistance during my entire year of office. They were without exception unfailing in their efforts on my behalf and I am deeply grateful.

I also wish to express my deep appreciation to my District Secretary, W. Bro. H. L. Morrow. From my District Chaplain R.W. Bro. M. P. Floyd, I received much encouragement and practical helpfulness and I am deeply indebted to him.

To each and every member of the entire District I extend my sincere thanks for the honor they conferred upon me in electing me to this honored office. That I have failed in many things I am well aware, but I rejoice in the fact that they have been most charitable of my short comings and limited ability. It has been a year rich in experience, rich in friendships but above all a year of renewed faith in the efficiency of Masonry to lighten the burdens of our fellow men.

Fraternally submitted,

W. J. COBB,

D.D.G.M. Sixth Masonic District.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

As my term of District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventh Masonic District draws to a close, I have the honor to submit for your approval, my report on the condition of Freemasonry in this District.

I have done my best in my humble way and hope I have measured up to your expectancy.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Oak Lake, Thursday, October 5th, 1939, there being a registration of nearly seventy. The afternoon session opened at 2:30 p.m. The Grand Lodge was represented by the Most Worshipful Grand Master Bro. W. D. Lawrence, M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, Past Grand Master and R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary. Each of these distinguished Brethren brought instructive and inspiring messages. After a discussion on the election of the incoming D.D.G.M., an inspiring address was given by Bro. Archdeacon P. Haywood. The afternoon session closed at 5:30 when the Brethren descended to the lower hall where a banquet was served by the ladies of Oak Lake Rebekah Lodge. A short toast list to the King, the Grand Master and the ladies, was proposed and responded to, after which the Brethren joined in singing "O Canada." The evening session opened at 8 p.m., with the reception of the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge officers. The P.D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. McKay was then called to the East and presented with a set of the regalia by Most Worshipful the Grand Master. The Grand Master then gave a very inspiring address which was listened to with rapt attention by all.

After the District Meeting I began my official visiting at Elkhorn No. 74, on October 23rd, 1939, although it was a stormy night and snowing hard, several Brethren accompanied me for the 40 mile drive and we spent a very pleasant evening. At this meeting R.W. Bro. Earl, a P.D.D.G.M. of 20 years ago, presented a set of books on Freemasonry to Elkhorn Lodge.

On October 24th, 1939, an official visit was paid Lebanon Lodge 43, of Virden. At this meeting we had brought home to us a knowledge that we were at war, when Bro. C. L. Stachan had to retire during the meeting as he had joined up with His Majesties' forces and was leaving town at once. On my second visit to this Lodge I witnessed Degrees put on very efficiently.

October 25th, 1939, I visited Lansdowne Lodge No. 107, Griswold, and had a very pleasant time, many visitors being present. On my second visit to this Lodge I witnessed conferring of Degrees. All officers at this Lodge, below the S.W. are only two year old Masons which is rather unusual.

On October 26th, a visit was made to Composite Lodge No. 64, Alexander, where we had a very interesting meeting. Many visitors were present although it was a very cold night.

December 19th, 1939, I visited Tweed Lodge No. 113, of Brandon. Had a very enjoyable time and witnessed a Master Mason Degree conferred. Part of the Degree was given by the Secretary of Tweed Lodge. M.W. Bro. W. Fenwick, a grand young man of 84 years. Two carloads of Brethren from Oak Lake No. 44 attended as well as many Brethren from Glenboro Lodge who presented Tweed Lodge with a Travelling Square.

December 21st, a visit was made to Oak Lake Lodge 44. We had a very good meeting here and at my second visit I saw Degrees conferred.

January 9th, 1940, a visit was made to Brandon Lodge No. 19, had a very interesting meeting and intended going to their next meeting to see Degrees conferred, but was unable to attend, however hope to do so before my official year is up.

SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL VISITS

October 23rd.....Elkhorn
October 25th.....Griswold
December 19th.....Brandon (113)
October 24th.....Virden
October 26th.....Alexander
December 21.....Oak Lake (44)
January 9th, 1940.....Brandon (19)

UNOFFICIAL VISITS

February 20th, 1940.....Brandon (113)
March 20th, 1940.....Griswold
March 22nd, 1940.....Oak Lake (44)
April 16th, 1940.....Virden

A number of these Lodges I intend to visit again before my term of office expires.

In summing up I wish to say that harmony and good fellowship prevails in all the Lodges in this District and that my official duties have been very pleasant. Although I entered my year of office with the feeling that I could not measure up to my predecessors, I now feel regret that I must leave a position of Honor that you, Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren of this Seventh Masonic District so kindly conferred on me.

Yours fraternally,

ARTHUR COOPER,
D.D.G.M. Seventh Masonic District.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I have the honor to submit to you Most Worshipful Sir, for your consideration, the

report on the work and activities of the Eighth Masonic District during my term of office, for the year 1939-1940, now at a close.

First, I wish to express my sincere gratification for the great honor you so graciously conferred on me by confirming my appointment, and to the Brethren who so kindly nominated me to this office, my deepest appreciation. I only hope that I have to some extent merited the confidence placed in me.

I have made an official visit to each of the eight Lodges in the District, and have visited each Lodge at least once unofficially, some of them several times when circumstances permitted, or at special invitation. I had no official reason for making more than one visit to a Lodge, but I was so impressed with the welcome afforded me on every visit that I felt I must know the Brethren better, and in so doing endeavor to consolidate District No. 8, and create a better Masonic feeling between the old and new Lodges that now go to make up the District.

I have found the Master and Officers of each Lodge well skilled, particularly in handling the business of the Lodge. In some cases on my first visit some of the officers appeared ill at ease. But on my second visit this had disappeared, and they officiated in a manner which is a credit to the Eighth Masonic District.

I witnessed four Entered Apprentice, three Fellow Craft and three Master Mason Degrees. It is very commendable that the Past Masters are so willing and able to assist the Worshipful Masters in conferring Degrees. Every Master should be able at least to confer that part of each Degree, until the candidate is obligated at the Altar. All candidates in the Degrees witnessed were very well posted for their examinations, and it was very gratifying to hear the Junior and Senior Wardens give their respective lectures themselves.

On September 7th, 1939, I had the pleasure of attending a meeting at East Star Lodge No. 55, Gretna, which was of an International nature. Present at this meeting was Most Worshipful the Grand Master M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence and Most Worshipful the Grand Master M.W. Bro. Harry Gill, of the Grand Jurisdiction of North Dakota, both of whom gave very instructive addresses.

Another outstanding meeting was held in Morris, September 19th, 1939, when King Solomon Lodge No. 8, celebrated their 60th anniversary. All the Lodges of District No. 8 were represented at this gathering. After a very fine banquet we were treated to some very fine entertainment before we repaired to the Lodge Room. After the reception of the Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers, we witnessed the conferring of the Fellow Craft Degree in a very efficient manner. During the evening we were treated to an elo-

quent address by you Most Worshipful Sir, and also to an address by Bro. Munroe, on some of his observations in different parts of the world.

DISTRICT MEETING

The District Meeting of the Eighth Masonic District was held in the Lodge Room at Dominion City, October 19th, 1939. There were 68 members present, with 14 visitors, a grand total of 82 registered. There were members present from all the Lodges in the District with the Worshipful Masters of the Lodges acting as Officers for this meeting. The afternoon meeting was well attended, with the address of welcome being given by our visitors by R.W. Bro. O. T. Johnston, of King Solomon Lodge No. 8. The meeting then listened with interest to an address by R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Chaplain, also an instructive address by R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell. At this time R.W. Bro. A. Moffat, of Emerson Lodge No. 6, addressed the meeting with some very good advice, that should be practiced by all Freemasons. A Board of Installed Masters was then opened, and M.W. Bro. Harry Woods conferred the Masters' Degree to a number of Masters present. At 5:30 p.m., the meeting was adjourned for the banquet, where the customary toasts were proposed and responded to.

The evening meeting was opened with the reception of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, and Grand Lodge Officers. R.W. Bro. Alf Argue introduced the Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers with him. The Brethren then accorded them the Grand Honors with R.W. Bro. A. Cameron, Shiloh Lodge No. 70, acting as Director of Ceremonies. I am very grateful to the following Grand Lodge Officers who so willingly assisted in making our meeting such an outstanding success.

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence.....Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Rev. Geo. R. Calvert...Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell.....Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey.....Grand Chaplain
R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess.....Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant, D.D.G.M. First Masonic District
R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood, D.D.G.M. Twelfth Masonic District
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas.....Past Grand Master, 1929
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods.....Past Grand Master, 1936
M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd.....Past Grand Master, 1937

The reception was followed by the presentation of a Past District Deputy Grand Masters Apron to R.W. Bro. N. R. Pickell, of Carman Lodge No. 155, by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master. The highlight of the evening was an address by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, who dealt very plainly with conditions in Europe at that time.

I also attended the District Meeting of the First Masonic District on October 28th, 1939. I think the outstanding feature of this meeting was the large delegation which accompanied M.W. Bro. Harry Gill from North Dakota. These visitations between the Brethren of Canada and the United States should be beneficial to all Freemasons and Masonry as a whole.

I have tried during my term of office in every day life and in my visitations to promote an atmosphere of co-operation among the Brethren. I have emphasized the necessity of inter-visitation in order to strengthen our District, and arouse the feeling of Good Fellowship. To lend a hand to a Lodge who perhaps through no fault of its own, is not enjoying the prosperity of the others, but in all probability need only that helping hand, and a little consideration by their neighbors. I would like to see each Lodge in the District make plans to visit every other Lodge in the District at least once a year, thereby creating that co-operation and good fellowship so badly needed today. I find that harmonious good will prevails throughout the District and the greatest respect and devotion to you as our Grand Master and to the Grand Lodge Officers.

The following is a record of the dates of my official visits:

1. Patricia Lodge No. 125.....October 4th, 1939
2. Midlothian Lodge No. 90.....October 16th, 1939
3. Shiloh Lodge No. 70.....November 9th, 1939
4. Carman Lodge No. 155.....November 21st, 1939
5. Penza Lodge No. 120.....February 27th, 1940
6. King Solomon No. 8.....March 12th, 1940
7. Emerson Lodge No. 6.....March 21st, 1940
8. East Star Lodge No. 55.....May 2nd, 1940

To the Brethren who received me on my visitations and the Brethren who accompanied me, I owe a debt of gratitude. Particularily I wish to thank my good friends R.W. Bro. Alf Argue, R.W. Bro. Norman McDougall and R.W. Bro. O. T. Johnston, for their guidance, advice and sound judgment.

In closing let me again express my sincere thanks for the great honor you have conferred on me. I have enjoyed my association with the Grand Lodge and the Craft, as your representative.

I have made so many good friends and have been so well received that it has left a lasting impression on me and that will remain a memory to the small service I have been able to render to yourself and to my Brethren of the Eighth Masonic District.

It is with the deepest feeling of regret that I now close my report and my task, and once more take seat among the Brethren.

Fraternally submitted,

J. A McVICAR,
D.D.G.M. Eighth Masonic District.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your approval the report on the condition of Freemasonry in the Ninth Masonic District during my term of office as your D.D.G.M.

The District Meeting was held in Swan River on the 11th of September, with a registered attendance of 83. Every Lodge in the District was represented. All were honored by the presence of the following Grand Lodge Officers:

M.W. Bro.W. D. Lawrence.....Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Stanley Fahrni.....Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell.....Grand Secretary
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas.....Past Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods.....Past Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins.....Past Grand Master

At the afternoon session business arising out of the minutes of the District Meeting held in the Royal Alexandra Hotel, on June 8th, 1939, was considered. Following this discussion W. Bro. Charles Bandin, of Prince Arthur Lodge gave an address of welcome to the Grand Lodge Officers and visiting Brethren. M.W. Bro. Harry Woods then gave the correct rendering of the penalties of the three degrees. It was followed by your D.D.G.M. who gave a paper on "The North East Corner."

The evening session was called to order at 8:12 p.m.. After the reception of the Grand Lodge Officers, R.W. Bro. Noble Bowes was presented with a P.D.D.G.M.'s Apron, in recognition of his services to the Ninth Masonic District. This was followed by an eloquent and forceful address by M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, on "Loyalty." Owing to the fact that the Grand Lodge Officers had to entrain at 10:20 p.m. for the Flin Flon, the ceremonies of the evening were somewhat curtailed.

I have made official visits and gave brief addresses or papers to each of the Lodges in the District. A number of them I have also

visited unofficially. The dates of my official visits are as follows:

Vermillion No. 68 ..... October 3rd, 1939
Roblin No. 122 ..... October 9th, 1939
Hiram No. 94 ..... October 19th, 1939
Prince Arthur No. 105 ..... November 2nd, 1939
Favel No. 126 ..... December 5th, 1939
Jubilee No. 147 ..... December 14th, 1939
Victory No. 128 ..... March 13th, 1940
Robbie Burns No. 100 ..... May 8th, 1940

On each of these visits I was received very cordially and with the respect and courtesy due your representative.

I am pleased to report that there is a renewed interest in Freemasonry in this District. This is not only evidenced by the increasing membership but by the increased inter-lodge visitations. While the opening and closing exercises as well as the degree work is more efficiently done in some Lodges than in others, on the whole there seems to be a genuine interest in the teachings of the craft.

In conclusion I wish to express my appreciation and sincere thanks to the Brethren of the Ninth Masonic District in electing me as D.D.G.M., and to you Most Worshipful Sir for confirming that election. Furthermore I am deeply grateful to R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell and V.W. Bro. Geo Syme for assistance given me. I wish also to express my thanks to the Brethren of Victory Lodge who accompanied me on my official visits, particularly R.W. Bro. D. Howe, District Secretary.

I sincerely hope that I have been of some service to you and the Lodges of the Ninth Masonic District. I can assure you that I will always retain pleasant memories of my year's work.

Fraternally submitted,

W. J. RODGERS,
D.D.G.M. Ninth Masonic District.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I herewith humbly beg to submit my report, as D.D.G.M., of the Tenth Masonic District for the year now ending.

Prelininary to this, permit me to express the appreciation of my Mother Lodge and myself, to the Brethren of the District, for the honor they conferred on us in electing one of our members as your representative in this constituency of Grand Lodge. Realizing the responsibility attendant to the honor, I endeavored to conduct myself in a manner worthy of that honor, insofar as the time at my disposal and my ability would permit. When I accepted the office, I presupposed a pleasant experience for the year that lay before me. There is an adage that says, "where wisdom is, there doth charity abound!" I found both of those qualities prevelant to a marked degree in this area of your jurisdiction, and my anticipations were fully justified.

Immediately following my election I took under consideration the appointment of a District Secretary and Chaplain. For those respective positions I selected W. Bro. Harry J. Thompson and W. Bro. R. I. Esselmont, both of whom accompanied me on most of my Official Visits and I found their knowledge of the craft and their counsel of valuable assistance.

I visited six of our Lodges, two or more times and all of them in my official capacity, and on the following dates:

Ophir Lodge No. 112, September 1st, 1939; Pine Falls Lodge No. 154, September 8th, 1939; Manitouwapa Lodge U.D. September 20th, 1939; Stony Mountain Lodge No. 134, October 4th, 1939; Transcona Lodge No. 123, October 6th, 1939; Stonewall Lodge No. 12, October 17th, 1939; Kildonan Lodge No. 131, November 14th; Lisgar Lodge No. 2, November 21st, 1939; The Dormer Lodge No. 151, February 6th, 1940; Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148, February 9th, 1940.

On each occasion I was invited to say "something for the gool of the Order," and endeavored to express such thoughts that would meet with your approval. I deemed it imprudent and found it unnecessary to advise the various Lodges on matters pertaining to their demeanor and the conduct of the work. One soon senses, in a general way, the tone of such meetings and I am happy to say that in all cases my reaction was very favorable.

Without particularizing, I found that the Masters and their Officers, conduct the work with confidence and dignity, while discussions from the floor were usually free and constructive. Some of the Lodges, more than others, encourage an expression of opinion from the "side benchers," which is a laudable practice, and mutually beneficial to all concerned.

The Annual District Meeting was held in the Castle Hall, Transcona, on the evening of September 29th, 1939. All the Lodges of the District, with one exception, were represented by the Sitting Masters with a varied number of their officers and

members. R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Chaplain, gave a very instructive and forceful address, which was favorably commented on by other speakers.

The business meeting was called to order at 8.30 p.m., the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and his Suite were introduced by V.W. Bro. J. Buchan.

Presentation of the P.D.D.G.M.'s Regalia was made to R.W. Bro. J. S. Wilson, P.D.D.G.M., by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods with fitting remarks.

Following the routine business, M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Grand Master, delivered an impressive and inspiring address, stressing the duty we, as Masons, assumed as interpreters to the world, of the lessons we learn within the Lodge. Brief addresses were given by other Grand Lodge officers in attendance, all of which were well received.

I wish to express my thanks to all those Brethren, and others not mentioned, for their assistance in making our Annual District Meeting a successful event.

One of the outstanding communications during the year, was that of Stonewall Lodge No. 12, on April 16th, 1940, to commemorate the 60th anniversary of that Lodge. A unique feature of this meeting was an original composition substituted for the opening and closing of the Lodge. It reflected a deep knowledge and a subtle interpretation of Freemasonry, in its application to this occasion. R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Chaplain, addressed the Lodge; R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary, gave a brief sketch of the Lodge, depicting the ambitions of these pioneers of the craft in Manitoba and the development of those ambitions insofar as Stonewall was concerned. In the evening the officers and members were hosts to the visiting Brethren at a banquet. The guest speaker was M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Grand Master and needless to say his address was enjoyed by all present.

In conclusion, I desire to express my gratitude to the Present and Past members of Grand Lodge, to the Masters, Past Masters and the Brethren of the constituent Lodges, for their inspiration and assistance in making my year's work a very happy one indeed.

Fraternally submitted,

MURDOCH MacKAY,
D.D.G.M. Tenth Masonic District.

TWELFTH MASONIC LODGE

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor, as your representative during the past year in the office of District Deputy Grand Master, to submit for your consideration my report on the condition of Freemasonry in the Twelfth Masonic District.

I wish to state in the beginning, that Freemasonry in the Twelfth Masonic District is in a very healthy and flourishing condition.

Many new members have been admitted to the craft, and the high standard of Masonic principles is being well maintained.

I paid an official visit to each of the Lodges in the District, and on all occasions was received with respect and courtesy, due to the office I held as your representative. I also had the privilege of making many unofficial visits during the year, and at all times, a most cordial welcome and a sympathetic, attentive hearing was accorded me.

I witnessed the work of conferring Degrees in all but one Lodge, I am satisfied that the work is conducted with uniformity and in a very dignified manner, which showed evidence of careful preparation. I also heard several classes of candidates examined as to their proficiency in the several Degrees, and on many occasions was highly impressed with the importance this work was receiving.

On my visits, I endeavored to emphasize some of the practical problems confronting our Lodges today, especially in these difficult times. I stressed the fact that regular attendance was essential for the well being of Masonry in every Lodge, the financial obligations of each member owes his Lodge in the prompt payment of his dues, and to guard against the pitfalls of granting Life Membership to members indiscriminately.

Many of the Lodges have already instituted committees to investigate this matter thoroughly and are amending their By-laws in this respect.

The principles of sacrifice and service are again much in evidence at our meetings, many of our members are already overseas, and still more are in training here with His Majestys' forces. We wish all our soldier Brethren God Speed, and may the Great Architect guide and keep them to a safe return among us.

It is gratifying to note the increased fraternal visitation among the different Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction, not only in the City Lodges, which has shown a marked increase, but of City Lodges to our Brethren in the country and vice versa. I had the privilege of attending Tonge River Lodge, Cavalier, North Dakota, as the guest of the Worshipful Master of Fort Garry Lodge. I was greatly impressed with the welcome the Worshipful Master, officers and members of Fort Garry Lodge received, and the spirit of friendship that exists between these Lodges, it is a splendid example of the true Masonic teaching of the fundamental truths of Freemasonry.

I was also privileged to attend several Father and Son banquets; these have a very stimulating effect on our Lodges, bringing out many members who do not attend regularly, together with their sons, giving the latter an opportunity of forming their own opinion of the craft, of the high esteem in which Masonry is held, and of the calibre of the men in the community who comprise its membership.

Our District Meeting was held on Saturday, February 17th, with a registered attendance of 204, not counting many who did not register. All the Lodges of the Twelfth Masonic District were well represented. I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to all who assisted in the preparation of this meeting and to those who took part.

The address given by you, Most Worshipful Sir, on that occasion, was of outstanding significance, no Mason present could have failed to realize the privileges we own, and the liberties we enjoy under the democratic system in which we live. M.W. Bro. Harry Gill, Grand Master of North Dakota, again honored us with his presence at this meeting, his address was again both encouraging and inspiring, I cannot help reiterating my remarks made to him and to you, Most Worshipful Sir, in welcoming you both at this meeting, of the wonderful spirit of Masonic friendship that exists between the Brethren of these two Grand Jurisdictions, namely North Dakota and Manitoba, and which is in no small measure due to the efforts of the present Grand Masters of these Grand Jurisdictions. We also had as our guests, R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant, District Deputy Grand Master, and Masters of Lodges in the First Masonic District.

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, Librarian, addressed the Brethren, and spoke of the new commodious quarters now occupied by the Library, and the proper arrangement and listing of books. He urged the Brethren to take advantage of the wealth of knowledge contained in these volumes and stressed the fact that the name "Grand Lodge Library" was a misnomer, and that the Library was

open to all Master Masons in good standing in the Grand Jurisdiction.

The remarks of R.W. Bro. G. R. Calvert, at the refreshment hour were most inspiring and could not help but make a lasting impression on those in attendance. I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the official visits made by you, Most Worshipful Sir, to every Lodge in the Twelfth Masonic District during your term of office, this is an achievement never before accomplished by any incumbent in that high office within my knowledge, and the keen interest that the Brethren of the Twelfth Masonic District have shown in their work is due to your untiring efforts, to the high esteem and sincere affection in which you are held by us all.

In closing, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Brethren of the District for the confidence they placed in me by selecting me as your representative, I hope that in my efforts I have merited that confidence. May I also extend my heartfelt thanks to the Masters, Past Masters, and District Deputy Grand Masters who accompanied me on my official visits. Their presence was an inspiration to me and to the Lodges. I have tried to show my gratitude in serving the District to the utmost of my ability.

I tender my grateful thanks for the faithful services of the District Officers:

Worshipful Bro. A. R. Simpson.....District Secretary
Worshipful Bro. Wm. Paterson.....District Treasurer
Worshipful Bro. C. H. Josie.....District Chaplain

These Brethren are deserving high commendation from all members of the District.

Finally, I again express to you, Most Worshipful Sir, my sincere appreciation for the many kind expressions of friendship when it was my privilege to meet you.

Fraternally submitted,

S. A. WOOD,
D.D.G.M. Twelfth Masonic District.

In Memoriam

DEDICATED

TO

THE DISTINGUISHED DEAD OF

SISTER

GRAND LODGES

1939

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY

OF

Henry Lamont Adolph

Initiated into Glenwood Lodge No. 27, Souris, Manitoba, on the 28th of February 1890, passed 2nd May, 1890, Raised 30th May, 1890. Demitted, 8th October, 1897.

Affiliated with Brandon Lodge No. 19, on the 9th of November, 1897. Master in 1905.

Grand Pursuivant, 1904

District Deputy Grand Master, 1907

GRAND MASTER, 1934

Born at
Brent, Ontario
Feb. 23, 1862

Died at
Brandon, Manitoba
Feb. 25, 1940

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Frank B. Woods

Senior Grand Steward, 1935

DIED

April 15th, 1939

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Alfred R. Doig

Senior Grand Steward, 1924

DIED

May 2nd, 1939

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

George S. McDonagh

District Deputy Grand Master, 1910

DIED

May 16th, 1939

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Martin W. McKim

Grand Director of Ceremonies, 1908

DIED

July 29th, 1939

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Thomas G. Atkinson

District Deputy Grand Master, 1921

DIED

November 13th, 1939

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Matt. Baillie

District Deputy Grand Master, 1928

DIED

November 24th, 1939

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

James B. Lang

District Deputy Grand Master, 1906

DIED

December 14th, 1939

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Charles D. Batty

Grand Senior Deacon, 1909
Grand Steward, 1914
District Deputy Grand Master, 1915

DIED

December 30th, 1939

SACRED TO THE MEMORY

OF THE

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIVE

BRETHREN

OF THE FIFTY-SEVEN LODGES

OF THIS GRAND JURISDICTION

WHOSE DEATHS

HAVE BEEN REPORTED DURING THE

MASONIC YEAR

ENDING

DECEMBER 31st, 1939

IN MEMORY

OF THE BELOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE

At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Allan, W. G.	Jan. 9th, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
Tier, Wm.	Mar. 30th, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
Johnston, W. J.	April 16th, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
McEachren, J.	June 4th, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
Warde, J. T.	June 5th, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
McMurray, E. C.	June 21st, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
Steen, R. J. H.	June 24th, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
Street, J.	July 13th, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
Bremner, J. E.	Aug. 23rd, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
McElheran, M. W. N.	Sept. 10th, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
Stalker, R. J.	Oct. 26th, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
Pook, F.	June 23rd, 1939	Lisgar	2
Lenten, F.	Oct. 22nd, 1939	Lisgar	2
Nelson, A.	Jan. 3rd, 1939	Ancient Landmark	3
Gillespie, D. R.	Mar. 5th, 1939	Ancient Landmark	3
Tuckfield, J. T.	Mar. 10th, 1939	Ancient Landmark	3
Black, J. W.	April 27th, 1939	Ancient Landmark	3
Smith, George	June 18th, 1939	Ancient Landmark	3
Boyd, Harry	June 1939	Ancient Landmark	3
Chestnut, Dr. W.	Feb. 1939	Ancient Landmark	3
Stewart, K. B.	July 21st, 1939	Ancient Landmark	3
Andrews, C. B.	Oct. 16th, 1939	Ancient Landmark	3
Warren, A. E.	Oct. 16th, 1939	Ancient Landmark	3
Cosgrave, J. M.	Oct. 31st, 1939	Ancient Landmark	3
Graham, W. B.	Jan. 20th, 1939	St. John's	4
Midwinter, Charles	June 4th, 1939	St. John's	4
Cross, W. W.	June 10th, 1939	St. John's	4
Dingwall, T.	July 21st, 1939	St. John's	4
Black, J. T.	Aug. 17th, 1939	St. John's	4
McAllister, S.	Sept. 26th, 1939	St. John's	4
McCready, G. B.	Oct. 18th, 1939	St. John's	4

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Johnstone, W.	Nov. 21st, 1939	St. John's	4
Masterton, R. G.	Jan. 29th, 1939	Emerson	6
Hazelton, L. W.	Sept. 20th, 1939	Assiniboine	7
Platt, C. E.	Nov. 21st, 1939	King Solomon	8
Bethell, Rev. T. G.	Jan. 24th, 1938	Northern Light	10
Horwood, V. W.	Mar. 15th, 1939	Northern Light	10
Hall, E. E.	April 19th, 1939	Northern Light	10
Baker, M. W.	Aug. 9th, 1939	Northern Light	10
Gerrard, J.	Aug. 10th, 1939	Northern Light	10
Crummy, Rev. E.	Aug. 14th, 1939	Northern Light	10
Matheson, W. A.	Dec. 21st, 1939	Northern Light	10
Mason, E.	July 31st, 1939	Stonewall	12
Watts, J.	Dec. 13th, 1939	Stonewall	12
Cuttle, H. G.	Aug. 9th, 1939	Prince of Wales	14
Armitage, H. B.	Oct. 7th, 1939	Prince of Wales	14
Chisholm, J.	Mar. 22nd, 1939	Corinthian	15
McAdie, N. S.	Jan. 27th, 1939	Brandon	19
Cordingly, J. B.	June 21st, 1939	Brandon	19
Sopp, H.	Dec. 15th, 1939	Brandon	19
Cox, F. J. C.	Jan. 7th, 1939	Ionic	25
Clark, Dr. C. A.	Jan. 8th, 1939	Ionic	25
McFadden, R. T.	Mar. 13th, 1939	Ionic	25
Parker, J. B.	July 2nd, 1939	Ionic	25
Mudie, G. G.	Sept. 24th, 1939	Ionic	25
Greer, A. B.	Oct. 4th, 1939	Ionic	25
Appleton, J.	Oct. 10th, 1939	Ionic	25
Boston, E.	Oct. 24th, 1939	Ionic	25
Dyer, J. F.	Nov. 19th, 1939	Ionic	25
DeBell, J. W.	Dec. 25th, 1939	Ionic	25
McEachern, D.	Aug. 22nd, 1939	Glenwood	27
Tullis, A. M.	Dec. 7th, 1939	Glenwood	27

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Nugent, H.	Dec. 24th, 1939	Glenwood	27
Wilson W. H.	Feb. 17th, 1939	Manitou	30
Atkinson, T. G.	Nov. 13th, 1939	Manitou	30
McNeil, A.	April 1st, 1939	Doric	36
Davis, J.	April 22nd, 1939	Lebanon	43
Lang, J. B.	Dec. 14th, 1939	Oak Lake	44
Doig, A.	May 2nd, 1939	Glenboro	48
Shaw, D. A.	Nov. 8th, 1939	Temple	49
Rutledge, O. G.	Sept. 1939	Killarney	50
Williams, F. A.	Nov. 12th, 1939	Killarney	50
Render, M.	Nov. 27th, 1939	Hartney	52
Batty, C. D.	Dec. 30th, 1939	Hartney	52
Robertson, W. S.	Feb. 26th, 1939	East Star	55
Johnson, E. G.	June 22nd, 1939	East Star	55
Ritz, Wm.	July 23rd, 1939	East Star	55
Slack, J. A.	May 9th, 1939	Russell	62
McDonagh, G. S.	May 16th, 1939	Russell	62
McDonald, J. A.	June 18th, 1939	Russell	62
McNaughton, W. K.	Feb. 21st, 1939	Holland	63
York, J. E. G.	Feb. 10th, 1939	Elkhorn	74
McKim, M. W.	July 29th, 1939	Elkhorn	74
Ingram, R.	Sept. 10th, 1939	Elkhorn	74
Gervin, J. R.	May 19th, 1939	Napinka	77
Baskier, E.	Sept. 19th, 1939	Napinka	77
Poole, T.	Nov. 11th, 1939	Napinka	77
Cochran, R. C.	Jan. 15th, 1939	Hamiota	84
Wood, C.	Feb. 14th, 1939	Hamiota	84
Deacon, R. E.	Sept. 30th, 1939	Elgin	86
Robinson, W. C.	Mar. 21st, 1939	Rathwell	87
Gibson, J. S.	Jan. 6th, 1939	Midlothian	90
Hefford, C. W.	April 10th, 1939	Midlothian	90

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
McKay, W. A.	Aug. 9th, 1939	Midlothian	90
Hainstock, R.	June 11th, 1939	Shoal Lake	92
Short, W. J.	July 9th, 1939	Shoal Lake	92
Wilson, J. D.	Jan. 8th, 1939	King Edward	93
Hilton, A.	Feb. 15th, 1939	King Edward	93
Bewley, H. H.	June 27th, 1939	King Edward	93
Mawson, J. C.	Aug. 29th, 1939	King Edward	93
Knight, A.	Sept. 15th, 1939	King Edward	93
Clifton, A.	Nov. 15th, 1939	King Edward	93
Short, J.	Nov. 25th, 1939	King Edward	93
Elliott, J.	Jan. 24th, 1939	Hiram	94
Cochrane, J. C.	June 3rd, 1939	Hiram	94
Klutz, O.	April 1st, 1939	Hiram	94
Woods, F. B.	April 15th, 1939	Robbie Burns	100
Millar, A. P.	July 16th, 1939	Miniota	102
Dickson, P. K.	Oct. 27th, 1939	Acacia	111
Laurie, P. D.	Dec. 26th, 1939	Ophir	112
Smith, A. W. H.	Jan. 6th, 1939	Tweed	113
Reid, A.	Mar. 1st, 1939	Tweed	113
Boles, Jas.	April 3rd, 1939	Tweed	113
Reid, D. J.	July 25th, 1939	Tweed	113
Strang, C. S.	Feb. 19th, 1939	"The Assiniboine"	114
MacKenzie, J. S.	Feb. 28th, 1939	"The Assiniboine"	114
Bristoll, C. H.	Mar. 2nd, 1939	"The Assiniboine"	114
Kyle, J. C. C.	Mar. 5th, 1939	"The Assiniboine"	114
Emerson, W. W.	Mar. 24th, 1939	"The Assiniboine"	114
McGee, H.	April 10th, 1939	"The Assiniboine"	114
Fraser, W. W.	May 13th, 1939	"The Assiniboine"	114
Potter, E. R.	Dec. 4th, 1939	"The Assiniboine"	114
Thomson, T. E.	Dec. 9th, 1939	"The Assiniboine"	114
Marsh, L.	Mar. 23rd, 1939	Rivers	115

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Ferguson, H. G.	Mar. 4th, 1939	Mound	118
Hayward, J.	Oct. 13th, 1939	Mound	118
Howat, H.	Mar. 30th, 1939	Norwood	119
Gillespie, A. B.	June 2nd, 1939	Norwood	119
Wilson, R.	Dec. 26th, 1939	Norwood	119
Scholte, V.	Jan. 19th, 1939	Penza	120
Stewart, C. K.	Mar. 28th, 1939	St. James	121
Armstrong, R. T.	Sept. 29th, 1939	St. James	121
James, W. R.	Nov. 21st, 1939	St. James	121
Mortham, N. B.	Dec. 16th, 1939	Transcona	123
Elliott, H. H.	April 24th, 1939	The Pas	124
Tanner, J.	Jan. 13th, 1939	Patricia	125
Conger, M. J.	Feb. 25th, 1939	Fort Garry	130
Macnamara, J. C.	June 12th, 1939	Fort Garry	130
Compton, G.	Jan. 27th, 1939	Kildonan	131
May, W. C.	Sept. 26th, 1939	Sprague	132
McConnell, W. J.	July 1938	McCreary	133
McKinnon, A.	June 11th, 1939	McCreary	133
Foster, E.	Feb. 13th, 1939	Capitol	136
Whitton, F. J.	Sept. 28th, 1939	Capitol	136
Moar, W. C.	Nov. 21st, 1939	Capitol	136
King, F. G.	Oct. 16th, 1939	Meridian	140
Noyink, J. B.	Dec. 24th, 1939	Meridian	140
More, J.	Dec. 27th, 1939	Meridian	140
Jeffrey, J. A.	Sept. 7th, 1939	Tuscan	141
Anderson, A.	June 23rd, 1939	Fort Osborne	144
Baillie, Matt.	Nov. 24th, 1939	The Dormer	151
Wood, W. T.	Oct. 1939	Foxwarren	152
Lamb, J. W.	Dec. 14th, 1939	Foxwarren	152

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Tibbs, F.	Oct. 17th, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
Fraser, A. A.	Nov. 21st, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
Grimason, S.	Nov. 21st, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
Wake, P.	Nov. 21st, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
Watt, J. A.	Nov. 21st, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
McMillan, D.	Dec. 30th, 1939	Prince Rupert's	1
Grand, F. L.	Feb. 21st, 1939	Lisgar	2
Kirkland, H. St. C.	Jan. 1st, 1930	Ancient Landmark	3
Lyon, Alex.	Oct. 19th, 1936	Ancient Landmark	3
Peebles, M. G.	Nov. 20th, 1939	Ancient Landmark	3
Burmaster, A. A.	Nov. 20th, 1939	Ancient Landmark	3
Day, F. J.	Jan. 4th, 1939	St. John's	4
McBride, J. B.	Jan. 4th, 1939	St. John's	4
Alderson, P. R.	Dec. 6th, 1939	St. John's	4
Cameron, J. D.	Dec. 6th, 1939	St. John's	4
Symons, G. R. R.	Dec. 6th, 1939	St. John's	4
Buck, R.	Feb. 16th, 1939	Emerson	6
Moore, C.	Nov. 16th, 1939	Emerson	6
Bellemy, F. J.	Dec. 21st, 1939	Emerson	6
Singleton, W. B.	Dec. 21st, 1939	Emerson	6
Moore, E. T.	May 15th, 1939	Assiniboine	7
Milne, G. R.	Sept. 18th, 1939	Assiniboine	7
Sampson, H. M.	Sept. 18th, 1939	Assiniboine	7
Rutledge, C. H.	Nov. 20th, 1939	Assiniboine	7
Smith, F. J.	Nov. 20th, 1939	Assiniboine	7
Hendry, E. J.	Jan. 19th, 1939	Northern Light	10
Morris, A. J. B.	Sept. 21st, 1939	Northern Light	10
Richards, H. J. B.	Nov. 16th, 1939	Northern Light	10
Sandilands, A. Jr.	Dec. 21st, 1939	Northern Light	10
Connolly, H.	Nov. 11th, 1939	Gladstone	11
Flook, B. C.	Nov. 21st, 1939	Stonewall	12
Smith, W. A. B.	Nov. 21st, 1939	Stonewall	12
Murray, J. H.	Dec. 19th, 1939	Stonewall	12
Nunn, E. F.	Dec. 19th, 1939	Stonewall	12
Leaming, H.	Dec. 14th, 1939	Prince of Wales	14
Saint, F. F.	Dec. 14th, 1939	Prince of Wales	14
Ripley, W. J.	Dec. 30th, 1939	Prince of Wales	14
Motta, G.	Dec. 31st, 1939	Prince of Wales	14
Radcliffe, W. G.	Feb. 7th, 1939	Corinthian	15
Bell, R. N.	Sept. 12th, 1939	Neepawa	24
Doherty, R. D.	Dec. 12th, 1939	Neepawa	24
Gordon, A.	May 1st, 1939	Ionic	25
Macdonald, J. A.	May 1st, 1939	Ionic	25
Coxon, A.	Dec. 31st, 1939	Ionic	25

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Davies, G. E.	Dec. 31st, 1939	Ionic	25
Lovelace, S. E.	Dec. 31st, 1939	Ionic	25
Rodgers, W. P.	Dec. 31st, 1939	Ionic	25
Washburn, H. C.	Dec. 31st, 1939	Ionic	25
Cruse, R. H.	Dec. 8th, 1939	Glenwood	27
McMorran, G. L.	Dec. 8th, 1939	Glenwood	27
Sharpe, H. L.	Sept. 26th, 1939	Carberry	29
Menlove, M. P. H.	Dec. 26th, 1939	Carberry	29
Thordarson, B.	Dec. 26th, 1939	Carberry	29
Howell, W. E.	Jan. 3rd, 1939	Manitou	30
Clow, M. A.	Jan. 24th, 1939	Birtle	36
Baker, M. C.	Nov. 21st, 1939	Lebanon	43
Wright, J. C.	June 19th, 1939	Killarney	50
Fry, R. H.	April 4th, 1939	Hartney	52
Armstrong, J. D.	1939	Oriental	54
Campbell, J.	Dec. 13th, 1939	Holland	63
Vasbinder, G. H.	June 6th, 1939	Vermillion	68
Robison, R. A.	Dec. 5th, 1939	Vermillion	68
Hodgson, R. J.	June 15th, 1939	Shiloh	70
Seymour, H.	Jan. 5th, 1939	Napinka	77
Couzens, H. C.	Jan. 5th, 1939	Cypress	82
Homuth, E. B.	Oct. 24th, 1939	Hamiota	84
Lee, W. H. T.	Dec. 12th, 1939	Elgin	86
Blanchard, B.	Mar. 20th, 1939	Midlothian	90
Gould, W. W.	Dec. 28th, 1939	Midlothian	90
Behde, A. T.	Jan. 18th, 1939	King Edward	93
McLellan, F.	Feb. 15th, 1939	King Edward	93
Tufts, W. B.	April 19th, 1939	King Edward	93
Lyons, A.	Dec. 21st, 1939	Hiram	94
Mack, A. N.	Mar. 8th, 1939	Robbie Burns	100
Miller, W. F.	Dec. 31st, 1939	Robbie Burns	100
Watson, T. S.	Dec. 31st, 1939	Robbie Burns	100
Henders, F. W. L.	Dec. 20th, 1939	Crescent	103
Mitchell, W. F.	Mar. 9th, 1939	Reston	104
Morison, J. E.	Oct. 12th, 1939	Reston	104
Bryan, S. S.	Dec. 14th, 1939	Reston	104
Brown, C. H.	Dec. 1st, 1939	Prince Arthur	105
McNair, L.	Dec. 1st, 1939	Prince Arthur	105
Ballantyne, T. H.	Dec. 7th, 1939	Union	108
Lightly, A. B.	May 17th, 1939	Swan Lake	109
Hunt, W. A.	Feb. 8th, 1939	Acacia	111
Fooks, Wm.	Dec. 13th, 1939	Acacia	111
Bethel, L.	Dec. 6th, 1939	Ophir	112
Hales, B. J.	Jan. 17th, 1939	Tweed	113
Irwin. W. L.	Feb. 21st, 1939	Tweed	113

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Argent, V. A. G.	April 18th, 1939	Tweed	113
Gibson, P. J.	Nov. 21st, 1939	Tweed	113
McMillan, L. H.	Nov. 21st, 1939	Tweed	113
Bell, Rev. J. E.	Dec. 19th, 1939	Tweed	113
Brown, R. C.	Dec. 19th, 1939	Tweed	113
Gray, S.	Dec. 19th, 1939	Tweed	113
Irish, C. E.	Dec. 19th, 1939	Tweed	113
Cringan, B.	Nov. 7th, 1939	"The Assiniboine"	114
Richardson, J. R.	Nov. 7th, 1939	"The Assiniboine"	114
Howson, G. A.	Dec. 31st, 1939	"The Assiniboine"	114
Kilgour, J. B.	Dec. 31st, 1939	"The Assiniboine"	114
Sneesby, W. F.	Mar. 6th, 1939	St. Andrew's	116
McKeand, W. J.	Nov. 9th, 1939	Norwood	119
Tomlinson, W.	Nov. 9th, 1939	Norwood	119
Ross, F. D.	Mar. 8th, 1939	St. James	121
Miller, A. H.	April 12th, 1939	St. James	121
Kanee, B.	Jan. 2nd, 1939	Roblin	122
Drach, V.	Dec. 11th, 1939	Transcona	123
Porteous, H. C.	Dec. 1st, 1939	The Pas	124
Lysecki, J. E.	Feb. 1938	The Pas	124
Hannah, D. C.	Jan. 28th, 1939	Favel	126
Friend, H.	Nov. 13th, 1939	Empire	127
Bickford, H. F.	Sept. 6th, 1939	Victory	128
Parker, H. W.	Jan. 11th, 1939	Fort Garry	130
Mills, A.	Feb. 8th, 1939	Fort Garry	130
Nicholls, H. R.	Feb. 8th, 1939	Fort Garry	130
Fieldhouse, C. G.	May 10th, 1939	Fort Garry	130
Carscadden, T. F.	Dec. 13th, 1939	Fort Garry	130
McBain, H. R.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Kildonan	131
Rees, W. A.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Kildonan	131
Stewart, J. E.	Dec. 31st, 1938	Kildonan	131
Walker, G. E.	Jan. 6th, 1939	Capitol	136
Millar, J. D.	Aug. 25th, 1939	Capitol	136
Palmer, W. J.	Dec. 13th, 1939	Lord Selkirk	137
Sweeney, J. F.	Dec. 13th, 1939	Lord Selkirk	137
Mavor, R.	Feb. 13th, 1939	Windsor	138
Wray, Wm.	April 10th, 1939	Windsor	138
Wyman, Wm.	April 10th, 1939	Windsor	138
Thornton, J. W.	Nov. 13th, 1939	Windsor	138
McBrien, W. H.	Dec. 11th, 1939	Windsor	138
Bell, J. A.	April 13th, 1939	Beaver	139
Black, R. S.	Dec. 14th, 1939	Beaver	139
Fannin, R.	Dec. 14th, 1939	Beaver	139
Griggs, P.	Dec. 14th, 1939	Beaver	139
Duncan, Wm.	Nov. 16th, 1939	Meridian	140

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
McKerchar, D. S.	Nov. 16th, 1939	Meridian	140
Chase, C. E.	Dec. 21st, 1939	Meridian	140
Cain, R.	Dec. 21st, 1939	Meridian	140
Margot, A. F.	April 14th, 1939	Tuscan	141
Israels, M.	May 26th, 1939	Mt. Sinai	143
Slavin, I.	July 18th, 1939	Mt. Sinai	143
Bermack, J.	Sept. 29th, 1939	Mt. Sinai	143
Macdonald, J.	Jan. 9th, 1939	Sturgeon Creek	145
Nott, H. A.	Jan. 9th, 1939	Sturgeon Creek	145
Bessey, A. L.	Dec. 14th, 1939	Sturgeon Creek	145
Churchill, E. J.	Dec. 14th, 1939	Sturgeon Creek	145
Postle, R. J.	Jan. 8th, 1940	Sturgeon Creek	145
Oakes, Wm.	Dec. 15th, 1939	Fidelity	146
Springett, R.	Dec. 15th, 1939	Fidelity	146
Shire, R. E.	Jan. 12th, 1939	Jubilee	147
Stewart, H. G.	Jan. 13th, 1939	Seven Oaks	148
Fuller, E. L. J.	Dec. 31st, 1939	Seven Oaks	148
Wallace, D. J.	Jan. 5th, 1939	Cartwright	150
Coyle, J. B.	Dec. 5th, 1939	The Dormer	151
Hawkins, O. E.	Dec. 5th, 1939	Flin Flon	153
Rogers, J.	Nov. 21st, 1939	Carman	155
Bennett, E.	Dec. 19th, 1939	Carman	155
Vanmeer, A.	Dec. 19th, 1939	Carman	155

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When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Grand Senior Wardens	Grand Junior Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1875	*Rev. W. C. Clarke	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*John H. Bell	*H. T. Champion	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1876	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*G. F. Newcomb	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Jno. W. Harris	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1877	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jas Henderson	*Jno. W. Harris	*E. G. Conklin	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson
1878	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*F. T. Bradley	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1879	Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*R. McCuaig	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*James Munroe	*Rev. James Flett
1880	*John H. Bell	*E. G. Conklin	*Hon. G. McMicken	*J. M. McGregor	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	†D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1881	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. B. Murray	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston	*Jas. Henderson	†D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1882	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*Alfred Pearson	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston	*H. D. P. LaCappellain	†D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1883	*John H. Bell	*D. B. Murray	*R McCuaig	†John Smith	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. Young	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1884	*John H. Bell	*C. F. Forrest	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood	†N. J. Lindsay	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	†Wm. Simpson	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1885	*C. F. Forrest	*Alfred Pearson	†Peter McGregor	†Thos. Colins	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood
1886	*Alfred Pearson	†Peter McGregor	*J. W. H. Wilson	*J. K. Brydon	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. G. Bell	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1887	*Thomas Clark	†John A. Kerr	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Jas. S. Greig	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1888	*Thomas Clark	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	R. C. Brown	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Joseph Daniel	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1889	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara	*Wm. G. Bell	*Thos. L. Morton	†Thos. McPherson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James A. Payne	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1890	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	†Thos. McPherson	Fred L. Newman	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†R. W. Woodroofe	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1891	*Wm. G. Bell	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rich'd D. Foley	*John Leslie	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James G. Dagg	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1892	*J. W. H. Wilson	*D. J. Goggin	†F. G. Lewin	*Thos. Robinson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. A. Windatt	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1893	*D. J. Goggin	*Thos. Robinson	*Thomas Tweed	*Corbet Locke	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. H. Munson	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1894	*Thomas Tweed	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*Hugh U. Bain	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Rev. A. W. F. Cooper	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1895	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*John Leslie	*Geo. B. Murphy	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*John Chambers	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado

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When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Grand Senior Wardens	Grand Junior Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1896	*Corbet Locke ...	*John Leslie	Fred L. Newman	†F. T. English...	*John McKechnie .	*Wm. G. Scott....	†C. N. Mitchell...	Rev. J. W. Matheson
1897	*Thomas Robinson	*Geo. B. Murphy .	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	†Wm. Crawford ..	*John McKechnie .	*Wm. G. Scott....	*J. O. Smith.....	*Rev. A. Chisholm
1898	*Geo. B. Murphy.	*H. J. Eberts.....	*R. S. Thornton .	*Wm. A. Windatt.	*John McKechnie .	*Wm. G. Scott....	†Edgar W. Rugg..	†Rev. C. R. Littler
1899	*John Leslie	*R. S. Thornton..	*W. A. Windatt..	*S. B. Jamieson..	*John McKechnie .	*Wm. G. Scott....	†J. A. Sutherland.	†Rev. J. W. Muirhead
1900	*R. S. Thornton..	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	Wm. Fenwick ..	*R. Hill Myers..	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	†E. A. Braithwaite.	Rev. A. B. Baird
1901	*R. S. Thornton..	*R. Hill Myers....	†E. A. Braithwaite.	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	*James M. Suttie..	Rev. A. B. Baird
1902	*R. Hill Myers...	†E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm.	*Geo. W. Baker..	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	†Geo. H. Webster.	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1903	†E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott..	†H. H. Campkin...	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	*R. P. Crookshank.	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1904	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott..	†H. H. Campkin...	†James Scroggie .	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	†O. E. S. White-side	Rev. John Wells
1905	*Wm. G. Scott...	†H. H. Campkin...	†James Scroggie ..	Henry J. Pugh..	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas...	*John R. Grant...	†Rev. Geo. H. Hogbin
1906	*John McKechnie.	†James Scroggie ..	Henry J. Pugh...	*James D. Baine..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Arthur H. Smith.	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1907	†James Scroggie ..	Henry J. Pugh..	*James D. Baine..	*John Wemyss ...	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Robert Magness ..	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1908	Henry J. Pugh..	*James D. Baine.	*John Wemyss ...	*Wm. Chambers ..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	A. N. Macpherson.	Rev. Thos. Neville
1909	*James D. Baine..	*Geo. W. Baker...	*John Wemyss ...	*Wm. Chambers .	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Joseph Greenfield.	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1910	*Geo. W. Baker..	*John Wemyss ..	*Wm. Chambers ..	Ed. M. Walker...	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Jas. E. Maynard..	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1911	*John Wemyss ...	*Wm. Chambers .	Ed. M. Walker...	*Lynds S. Vaughan.	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*R. W. A. Rolph..	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1912	*Wm. Chambers .	Ed. M. Walker...	*Lynds S. Vaughan.	Henry E. Bletcher.	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*John Colwell	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1913	Ed. M. Walker..	*Lynds S. Vaughan.	Henry E. Bletcher.	*Percy E. Kellett..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	Robert L. Ross...	Rev. Sydney D. Thomas
1914	*Lynds S. Vaughan	William Fenwick	Henry E. Bletcher.	*Percy E. Kellett..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*J. M. Robinson..	Rev. Peter E. Scott
1915	William Fenwick.	Henry E. Bletcher.	*Percy E. Kellett.	Ed. T. Greenway.	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Jno. Macwhirter .	†Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1916	Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett..	Ed. T. Greenway.	*Alex. McIntyre ..	*James G. Dagg.	*James A. Ovas...	Chas. F. Hasselfield	Rev. James S. Miller
1917	*Percy E. Kellett.	Ed. T. Greenway.	*Alex. McIntyre ..	Albert J. Hatcher.	*James G. Dagg..	*James A. Ovas...	*Jno. J. Jackson..	†Rev. Thos. G. Bethell

OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, ELECTED AT ITS FOUNDATION ON THE 12th OF MAY, 1875.

When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Grand Senior Wardens	Grand Junior Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1918	Ed. T. Greenway.	*Alex. McIntyre .	Albert J. Hatcher.	Geo. N. Jackson.	*James G. Dagg.	*James A. Ovas.	.....	†Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1919	*Alex. McIntyre .	Albert J. Hatcher.	Geo. N. Jackson.	Rev. A. B. Baird.	Wm. J. Major...	*James A. Ovas.	.....	Rev. James W. Anderson
1920	Albert J. Hatcher	Geo. N. Jackson..	Rev. A. B. Baird.	Wm. J. Major..	Jabez Miller ...	*James A. Ovas.	.....	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1921	Geo. N. Jackson.	Rev. A. B. Baird.	Wm. J. Major...	Jas. S. MacEwing.	Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas.	.....	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1922	Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major...	Jas. S. MacEwing.	A. L. Crossin....	Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas.	.....	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1923	Wm. J. Major...	Jas. S. MacEwing.	Albert L. Crossin.	J. C. Walker Reid.	Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas.	.....	†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1924	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin.	J. C. Walker Reid.	Jabez Miller	James Mackie ...	*James A. Ovas.	.....	†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1925	Albert L. Crossin	J. C. Walker Reid.	Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	James Mackie ...	*James A. Ovas.	.....	*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay
1926	J. C. Walker Reid	Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas .	James Mackie ...	*James A. Ovas.	.....	*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay
1927	Jabez Miller ...	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas .	George Hunter ..	James Mackie ...	*James A. Ovas.	.....	Rev. George W. Findlay
1928	*Murdo A. Whimster..	William Douglas .	George Hunter ..	Norman J. Black.	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas.	.....	Rev. George W. Findlay
1929	William Douglas.	George Hunter...	Norman J. Black.	David S. Woods..	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas.	.....	Rev. George W. Findlay
1930	George Hunter ..	Norman J. Black.	David S. Woods..	James Mackie ...	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas.	.....	Rev. G. A. Woodside
1931	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods..	James Mackie ...	*Henry L. Adolph.	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas.	.....	Rev. G. A. Woodside
1932	David S. Woods.	James Mackie ...	*Henry L. Adolph.	Royal Burritt ...	Alex. Burgess ...	*James A. Ovas.	.....	Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1933	James Mackie ..	*Henry L. Adolph.	Royal Burritt ...	Harry Woods ...	Alex. Burgess ...	*James A. Ovas.	.....	Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1934	*Henry L. Adolph.	Royal Burritt ...	Harry Woods ...	John T. Boyd....	Alex. Burgess ...	*James A. Ovas.	.....	Rev. George R. Calvert
1935	Royal Burritt ..	Harry Woods ...	John T. Boyd...	Robert Hawkins .	Alex. Burgess ...	J. H. G. Russell.	.....	Rev. George R. Calvert
1936	Harry Woods ...	John T. Boyd..	Robert Hawkins .	W. D. Lawrence..	Alex. Burgess ...	J. H. G. Russell.	.....	Rev. Thomas Neville
1937	John T. Boyd...	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence..	J. J. Henderson.	Alex. Burgess ...	J. H. G. Russell.	.....	Rev. Harry Sherstone
1938	Robert Hawkins..	W. D. Lawrence..	J. J. Henderson..	Rev. G. R. Calvert	Alex. Burgess ...	J. H. G. Russell.	.....	Rev. Harry Sherstone
1939	W. D. Lawrence.	J. J. Henderson..	Rev. G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni....	Alex. Burgess...	J. H. G. Russell.	.....	Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1940	J. J. Henderson..	Rev. G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni....	Ben C. Parker...	Alex. Burgess ...	J. H. G. Russell..	.....	Rev. P. T. Pilkey

* Dead

† Removed from Jurisdiction

LODGE DIRECTORY

No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Worshipful Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
1	Prince Rupert's	Winnipeg	H. E. Beresford	John McRae	Third Tuesday
2	Lisgar	Selkirk	J. R. Reid	Thos. Bunn	Third Tuesday
3	Ancient Landmark	Winnipeg	S. J. Sametz	W. F. Hutton	Third Monday
4	St. John's	Winnipeg	R. D. Vance	Jas. Mackie	First Wednesday
6	Emerson	Emerson	J. D. Lloyd	Len. Beer	Third Thursday
7	Assiniboine	Portage la Prairie	G. T. Wright	J. H. Reynolds	Third Monday
8	King Solomon	Morris	Geo. McDonald	S. S. Wilton	Second Tuesday
10	Northern Light	Winnipeg	K. M. Johnson	D. A. Ross	Third Thursday
11	Gladstone	Gladstone	A. Dewar	E. J. Cresswell	Second Monday
12	Stonewall	Stonewall	H. A. Good	S. F. Groome	Third Tuesday
13	Belmont	Morden	Geo. Sleep	M. Maclean	Third Thursday
14	Prince of Wales	Minnedosa	P. C. Carlson	E. E. Tilley	Second Thursday
15	Corinthian	Rapid City	E. G. Ashby	H. G. Simpson	Tuesday on or before full moon
19	Brandon	Brandon	W. W. Downie	S. H. Butler	Second Tuesday
24	Neepawa	Neepawa	A. T. Herbert	Jas. McIntosh	Second Tuesday
25	Ionic	Winnipeg	A. G. Lush	M. Cobban	First Monday
27	Glenwood	Souris	D. H. Ferguson	A. W. Patrick	Second Friday
29	Carberry	Carberry	G. H. Froom	B. W. Caldwell	Tuesday on or before full moon
30	Manitou	Manitou	H. Stillwasser	C. P. Old	First Tuesday
36	Doric	Boissevain	G. E. Noton	C. I. Sankey	Fourth Tuesday
39	Birtle	Birtle	G. G. McFarlane	F. C. Barber	Tuesday on or before full moon
40	Deloraine	Deloraine	J. W. Thompson	Wm. Brown	First Wednesday
43	Lebanon	Virden	G. S. Moir	W. L. Cann	Tuesday on or before full moon
44	Oak Lake	Oak Lake	L. J. Adams	R. F. Stevens	Thursday on or before full moon
48	Glenboro	Glenboro	W. H. Nevill	A. S. Hames	Second Monday
49	Temple	Macgregor	W. J. Wenham	H. I. Collins	Third Tuesday
50	Killarney	Killarney	D. M. Rankin	J. C. Bate	Third Monday
51	Treherne	Treherne	L. E. Staples	H. A. Adair	Friday on or before full moon
52	Hartney	Hartney	C. S. Thomas	J. A. Callander	First Tuesday
54	Oriental	Melita	W. S. McCreath	R. H. Shearer	First Friday
55	East Star	Gretna	C. L. Hayward	G. G. McEdward	First Thursday
62	Russell	Russell	Thos. Gilmour	S. F. Hughes	Second Tuesday
63	Holland	Holland	W. R. Manning	F. H. Dagg	Second Wednesday
64	Composite	Alexander	W. E. Hawley	D. A. Nichol	Thursday or or before full moon
67	Wawanesa	Wawanesa	Pierce Couling	C. L. Atkinson	Monday on or before full moon

LODGE DIRECTORY—Continued

No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Worshipful Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
68	Vermillion	Dauphin	E. A. R. Saville	A. L. Wrye	First Tuesday
70	Shiloh	Roland	G. Cochrane	Robert Chanin	Second Thursday
71	Crystal	Crystal City	J. M. Howatt	W. G. McNamee	Tuesday on or before full moon
74	Elkhorn	Elkhorn	J. W. Butcher	H. J. Jones	Monday on or before full moon
75	Gothic	Austin	H. S. Atkins	R. J. Wallace	Wednesday on or before full moon
77	Napinka	Napinka	A. D. Pue	T. A. Taylor	First Thursday
82	Cypress	Cypress River	J. L. Christie	R. I. Connon	First Thursday
84	Hamiota	Hamiota	E. P. Venables	L. S. Taylor	Fourth Tuesday
86	Elgin	Elgin	W. L. George	E. J. Smillie	Second Tuesday
87	Rathwell	Rathwell	S. J. Orrock	J. A. Draper	Tuesday on or before full moon
90	Midlothian	Miami	Wm. Dunn	W. J. Devins	Third Monday
92	Shoal Lake	Shoal Lake	W. H. Loney	C. H. Bayfield	Second Wednesday
93	King Edward	Winnipeg	Wm. Worton	S. A. Restall	Third Wednesday
94	Hiram	Grandview	W. Dawson	J. E. Johnson	Third Thursday
100	Robbie Burns	Gilbert Plains	Alex. McKay	M. D. Snyder	Second Wednesday
101	Binscarth	Binscarth	Bert Cockburn	Geo. Drew	Third Tuesday
102	Miniota	Miniota	W. H. P. Wallace	Robert Peel	Fourth Thursday
103	Crescent	Elm Creek	R. H. Wood	H. R. Bewes	Wednesday on or before full moon
104	Reston	Reston	Wm. Mennie	A. K. Cates	Second Thursday
105	Prince Arthur	Swan River	S. P. Bielby	J. Livesey	First Thursday
106	Strathclair	Strathclair	G. B. Henderson	H. W. Clark	Tuesday on or before full moon
107	Lansdowne	Griswold	R. Young	C. C. MacLeod	Wednesday on or before full moon
108	Union	Brookdale	P. A. Ballantyne	A. L. Curtis	First Thursday
109	Swan Lake	Swan Lake	Fred Hedley	G. O. Couch	Wednesday on or before full moon.
110	Kilwinning	Minto	W. H. Tucker	W. L. Leppert	Second Monday
111	Acacia	Winnipeg	A. Kimberley	Wm. Dewar	Second Wednesday
112	Ophir	Beausejour	J. W. Wade	L. J. Pulfer	First Friday
113	Tweed	Brandon	P. A. M. Walton	Wm. Fenwick	Third Tuesday
114	"The Assiniboine"	Winnipeg	L. A. H. Warren	W. B. Johnston (act.)	First Tuesday
115	Rivers	Rivers	R. W. Sargent	R. G. Sinclair	Last Monday
116	St. Andrew's	Wellwood	C. F. Humeston	G. W. Wells	Monday on or after full moon
117	Strathcona	Belmont	Wm. Owen	H. E. Hopkins	Tuesday on or before full moon
118	Mound	Pilot Mound	W. T. Frith	R. E. Hicks	Thurday on or before full moon
119	Norwood	Norwood	Thos. Dougall	N. McDonald	Second Thursday
120	Penza	Dominion City	H. Spence	A. G. Froom	Fourth Tuesday

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121	St. James	St. James	R. E. Emmett	J. C. McCallum	Second Wednesday
122	Roblin	Roblin	G. C. Ellwyn	D. F. McWhirter	Second Monday
123	Transcona	Transcona	M. Cochran	F. G. Turner	First Friday
124	The Pas	The Pas	L. Williamson	G. A. Williams	First Wednesday
125	Patricia	Sperling	Geo. Wallace	J. H. Maclean	First Wednesday
126	Favel	Minitonas	R. F. Hunter	G. P. Renouf	First Tuesday
127	Empire	Weston	Alex. Sinclair	E. Thompson	Second Monday
128	Victory	Benito	R. A. Hanley	J. W. Herd	First Wednesday
129	Shellmouth	Shellmouth	J. J. Herbert	G. F. Hilbert	First Thursday
130	Fort Garry	Winnipeg	G. P. Fairbairn	R. Burritt	Second Wednesday
131	Kildonan	Winnipeg	Wm. Thompson	C. M. Smillie	Second Tuesday
132	Sprague	Sprague	G. J. Crassweller	J. R. Gray	Second Wednesday
133	McCreary	McCreary	A. Benjamin	T. E. Squire	Second Thursday
134	Stony Mountain	Stony Mountain	C. H. French	T. Clayton	First Wednesday
136	Capitol	Winnipeg	T. A. Cherrett	George Newman	First Friday
137	Lord Selkirk	Winnipeg	A. Guthrie	G. R. Mackay	Second Wednesday
138	Windsor	St. Vital	D. Griffith	H. B. Donnelly	Second Monday
139	Beaver	Winnipeg	J. E. Toole	S. W. Robertson	Second Thursday
140	Meridian	Winnipeg	A. A. Reid	E. H. Crawford	Third Thursday
141	Tuscan	Winnipeg	J. E. Biggerstaff	Alex. Simpson	Second Friday
142	Harmony	Cardale	E. A. Corbett	S. W. Smith	Third Thursday
143	Mt. Sinai	Winnipeg	Fred Jacob	Dr. C. J. Bermack (Act.)	Fourth Thursday
144	Fort Osborne	Winnipeg	T. B. Findlay	T. J. Booth	Third Tuesday
145	Sturgeon Creek	Winnipeg	C. R. Hodgdon	D. A. Best	First Monday
146	Fidelity	Winnipeg	M. M. Acheson	A. Sandilands	Third Friday
147	Jubilee	Bowsman	J. D. Houston	Henry Stevens	Second Thursday
148	Seven Oaks	Winnipeg	M. McDonald	A. C. Pritchard	Second Friday
150	Cartwright	Cartwright	H. D. Churchill	G. E. Wiseman	Thursday on or before full moon
151	The Dormer	Winnipeg	D. F. S. Reid	J. Buchan	First Tuesday
152	Foxwarren	Foxwarren	J. R. McMillan	V. G. Hillcox	First Wednesday
153	Flin Flon	Flin Flon	C. Steventon	C. C. Setterington	First Tuesday
154	Pine Falls	Pine Falls	E. J. Kahle	Roy Gohn	Second Friday
155	Carman	Carman	Wm. Reid	F. W. Evans	Third Tuesday
156	Manitouwapa	Moosehorn	Thos. Gelmon	J. H. Murray	Third Wednesday

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1939

No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Demitted	Sus-pended N.P.D.	Sus-pended U.M.C.	Died	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1938	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1939
1	Prince Rupert's	5	5	7	2	....	6	....	....	11	446	436
2	Lisgar	1	1	....	2	1	1	4	....	2	134	131
3	Ancient Landmark	2	....	....	2	1	4	7	....	10	393	377
4	St. John's	5	5	7	3	2	5	17	....	8	621	601
6	Emerson	....	....	....	1	....	4	6	....	1	70	60
7	Assiniboine	1	1	1	2	2	5	6	....	1	191	184
8	King Solomon	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	63	63
10	Northern Light	1	....	....	3	1	5	7	....	7	293	279
11	Gladstone	2	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	71	72
12	Stonewall	4	3	3	2	2	4	4	....	2	95	93
13	Belmont	1	1	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	75	75
14	Prince of Wales	2	2	3	1	....	4	3	....	2	100	95
15	Corinthian	2	4	4	1	....	1	....	....	1	57	58
19	Brandon	5	5	5	3	2	....	3	....	3	196	200
24	Neepawa	2	2	2	1	1	2	1	....	....	136	137
25	Ionic	10	6	6	3	2	7	7	....	10	531	522
27	Glenwood	3	3	4	1	....	2	7	....	3	125	117
29	Carberry	....	....	....	....	....	3	....	....	....	70	67
30	Manitou	....	....	....	2	....	1	1	....	2	50	48
36	Doric	....	1	1	1	3	1	....	....	1	83	85
39	Birtle	1	3	3	1	1	....	6	....	....	50	47
40	Deloraine	....	1	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	68	71
43	Lebanon	3	3	3	3	....	1	....	....	1	71	74
44	Oak Lake	4	4	4	....	....	....	....	....	1	30	33
48	Glenboro	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	45	44
49	Temple	1	1	2	....	....	....	1	....	1	75	74

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No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Demitted	Sus-pended N.P.D.	Sus-pended U.M.C.	Died	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1938	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1939
50	Killarney	2	1	1	....	....	1	3	....	2	68	64
51	Treherne	....	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	42	43
52	Hartney	5	6	5	2	2	1	....	....	2	75	81
54	Oriental	2	2	2	1	....	1	....	....	....	47	49
55	East Star	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	48	45
62	Russell	....	....	....	....	1	....	2	....	3	50	46
63	Holland	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	54	52
64	Composite	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	49	49
67	Wawanesa	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	41	42
68	Vermilion	9	9	9	4	2	2	3	....	....	143	153
70	Shiloh & Concord	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	72	71
71	Crystal	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	35	34
74	Elkhorn	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	3	40	38
75	Gothic	3	....	....	2	1	....	1	....	....	46	51
77	Napinka	....	....	....	1	....	1	9	....	3	63	51
82	Cypress	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	34	34
84	Hamiota	....	....	....	2	....	1	....	....	2	52	51
86	Elgin	7	7	7	....	....	1	4	....	1	56	57
87	Rathwell	....	....	....	2	....	1	1	....	2	25	23
90	Midlothian	2	2	1	1	....	2	....	....	3	63	61
92	Shoal Lake	3	2	2	1	....	....	....	....	2	74	76
93	King Edward	4	5	5	3	1	3	7	....	8	355	345
94	Hiram	3	3	3	....	....	1	4	....	3	56	51
100	Robbie Burns	....	....	....	1	1	3	1	....	1	35	32
101	Binscarth	....	....	....	1	....	....	3	....	....	38	36
102	Miniota	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	61	60
103	Crescent	2	3	3	....	....	1	....	....	....	40	41

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No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Demitted	Suspended N.P.D.	Suspended U.M.C.	Died	Membership Dec. 31, 1938	Membership Dec. 31, 1939
104	Reston	4	5	6	3	....	3	....	....	1	98	101
105	Prince Arthur	4	4	4	1	....	2	1	....	....	60	62
106	Strathclair	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	43	42
107	Lansdowne	6	6	6	....	....	....	....	....	....	35	41
108	Union	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	34	33
109	Swan Lake	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	20	20
110	Kilwinning	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	43	43
111	Acacia	6	6	5	2	....	2	1	....	1	199	203
112	Ophir	2	....	....	1	1	1	8	....	1	67	61
113	Tweed	3	5	5	2	....	9	3	....	4	251	240
114	"The Assiniboine"	4	4	5	6	....	4	4	....	10	365	357
115	Rivers	1	1	1	1	....	....	2	....	1	43	42
116	St. Andrews	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	43	42
117	Strathcona	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	55	57
118	Mound	....	....	....	1	1	....	3	....	2	51	48
119	Norwood	3	3	3	1	....	2	....	....	3	187	186
120	Penza	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	33	33
121	St. James	2	2	2	6	1	2	....	....	4	145	148
122	Roblin	1	1	1	1	....	2	1	....	....	33	32
123	Transcona	4	4	4	2	....	1	....	....	1	121	125
124	The Pas	3	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	1	91	91
125	Patricia	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	25	25
126	Favel	....	....	....	....	....	1	4	....	....	37	32
127	Empire	4	4	1	1	....	1	....	....	....	123	127
128	Victory	....	....	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	33	33
129	Shellmouth	1	1	1	....	....	....	3	....	....	23	21

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1939—Continued

No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Demitted	Suspended N.P.D.	Suspended U.M.C.	Died	Membership Dec. 31, 1938	Membership Dec. 31, 1939
130	Fort Garry	3	2	2	4	....	5	4	....	2	191	187
131	Kildonan	1	1	1	1	....	3	2	....	1	92	88
132	Sprague	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	....	1	30	29
133	McCreary	2	2	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	34	36
134	Stony Mountain	1	1	1	....	....	....	3	....	....	59	57
136	Capitol	5	5	5	....	2	2	4	....	3	170	168
137	Lord Selkirk	2	2	2	....	....	2	4	....	....	108	104
138	Windsor	1	1	1	....	....	5	4	....	....	133	138
139	Beaver	2	2	2	2	....	4	4	....	....	201	197
140	Meridian	4	4	4	3	1	4	....	....	3	241	242
141	Tuscan	5	5	5	....	....	1	....	....	1	65	68
142	Harmony	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	18	19
143	Mt. Sinai	2	2	2	....	1	3	1	....	....	206	199
144	Fort Osborne	3	4	3	....	....	....	....	....	1	101	103
145	Sturgeon Creek	4	4	4	....	....	5	5	....	....	84	78
146	Fidelity	6	6	6	1	....	2	....	....	....	104	109
147	Jubilee	2	2	2	....	....	1	....	....	....	41	42
148	Seven Oaks	....	....	....	....	....	2	4	....	....	90	84
150	Cartwright	2	1	1	....	....	1	1	....	....	32	32
151	The Dormer	1	2	1	1	....	1	....	....	1	47	47
152	Foxwarren	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	33	31
153	Flin Flon	3	2	2	2	2	1	2	....	....	83	87
154	Pine Falls	2	2	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	41	43
155	Carman	....	....	....	....	....	3	2	....	....	46	41
156	Manitouwapa	7	7	6	26	....	....	....	....	....	....	33
	Grand Totals	207	200	195	129	40	159	193		155	10409	
										Errors in Returns	4	
											10413	10278

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1939

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
1	Prince Rupert's	9	2	11	130	306	82	80	780.00	544.37	1181.37	447.57	20427.79	1500.00	Active	1	Rent
3	Ancient Landmark	9	7	16	76	309	75	75	1250.00	500.00	381.19	479.84	27274.53	2900.00	Active	1	Rent
4	St. John's	9	10	19	131	470	100	93	1522.00	539.58	3178.88	10.00	34943.03	1200.00	Active	1	Rent
10	Northern Light	9	1	10	72	205	80	44	337.00	386.00	825.59	30.00	10375.00	1500.00	Active	1	Rent
25	Ionic	9	8	17	114	408	120	108	1654.00	1099.73	1937.29	203.00	49890.63	500.00	Active	1	Rent
93	King Edward	9	4	13	67	275	70	141	2126.00	485.24	18.62	266.50	8220.94	2100.00	Active	1	Rent
111	Acacia	9	3	12	47	156	55	73	791.50	241.00	798.37	300.35	6946.31	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
114	"The Assiniboine"	10	0	10	84	273	65	71	710.00	419.00	2330.48	Nil	12430.48	1500.00	Active	1	Rent
119	Norwood	9	4	13	24	162	60	57	909.00	213.25	362.83	2350.00	6013.83	7200.00	Active	1	Own
121	St. James	9	4	13	13	135	60	38	317.00	133.85	1566.85	118.00	3220.85	850.00	Active	1	Rent
127	Empire	9	3	12	21	106	40	35	328.00	112.85	109.64	42.00	4214.04	3000.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1939

7	Assiniboine	10	1	11	68	116	37	57	536.00	20.00	1091.97	4200.00	13738.04	13100.00	Active	2	Own
11	Gladstone	12	2	14	23	48	20	19	128.00	31.00	323.39	Nil	4286.79	3000.00	Active	2	Own
24	Neepawa	10	1	11	64	73	40	61	444.00	181.49	1287.54	1550.75	3768.59	Nil	Active	3	Rent
29	Carberry	10	1	11	22	45	19	9	338.00	Nil	7.28	33.00	2425.00	1500.00	Active	2	Own
49	Temple	12	1	13	23	23	20	33	165.00	25.00	161.77	Nil	2500.00	2500.00	Active	2	Own
75	Gothic	13	2	15	20	31	16	9	50.00	Nil	487.97	Nil	1500.00	1500.00	Active	2	Own
108	Union	7	1	8	18	15	12	9	90.00	Nil	165.29	Nil	1800.00	1300.00	Active	2	Own
116	St. Andrew's	12	0	12	27	15	14	9	126.00	50.00	75.00	Nil	1200.00	200.00	Active	2	Rent
133	McCreary	10	1	11	10	26	10	4	221.45	5.00	161.42	Nil	807.87	400.00	Active	2	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1939

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
48	Glenboro	10	1	11	16	28	17	17	179.00	29.00	131.03	92.42	667.61	375.00	Active	2	Rent
51	Treherne	12	..	12	12	31	..	5	60.00	Nil	46.65	986.00	1947.65	2000.00	Active	1	Own
63	Holland	10	..	10	19	33	18	18	186.00	Nil	288.01	Nil	312.35	300.00	Active	1	Rent
67	Wawanesa	9	..	9	16	26	14	20	403.00	Nil	31.00	Nil	Nil	250.00	Active	1	Rent
82	Cypress	8	..	8	20	14	8	16	200.00	5.00	42.05	92.05	250.10	100.00	Active	1	Rent
87	Rathwell	9	1	10	4	19	12	4	34.00	Nil	29.00	Nil	300.00	300.00	Active	1	Rent
103	Crescent	10	..	10	19	22	10	27	333.00	10.00	459.02	Nil	Nil	300.00	Active	1	Rent
109	Swan Lake	5	1	6	8	12	8	4	48.00	Nil	107.49	Nil	200.00	200.00	Active	1	Rent
117	Strathcona	11	2	13	25	32	16	17	165.00	Nil	555.75	Nil	1035.00	500.00	Active	2	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1939

13	Belmont	10	..	10	33	42	27	18	135.00	35.00	206.25	Nil	946.66	500.00	Active	1	Rent
30	Manitou	10	1	11	15	33	11	12	77.00	10.00	2597.02	Nil	3077.95	350.00	Dorm	1	Rent
36	Doric	11	3	14	13	72	32	23	115.00	8.00	445.09	Nil	2500.00	2500.00	Active	1	Own
50	Killarney	10	1	11	16	47	13	15	73.50	Nil	961.67	Nil	961.67	250.00	Dorm	1	Rent
71	Crystal	10	..	10	8	26	11	14	78.48	Nil	45.50	Nil	148.00	Nil	Dorm	1	Rent
118	Mound	12	..	12	13	35	14	18	166.00	33.08	323.30	Nil	589.30	100.00	Active	1	Rent
150	Cartwright	10	..	10	7	25	18	9	115.00	Nil	184.99	Nil	384.99	200.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1939

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
14	Prince of Wales	10	2	12	21	74	25	22	458.00	Nil	125.48	1000.00	6583.48	6000.00	Active	1	Own
15	Corinthian	11	1	12	14	44	24	12	189.00	Nil	109.63	Nil	2425.00	1800.00	Active	1	Own
39	Birtle	12	..	12	16	30	16	20	160.00	Nil	War Bond 500.00 163.43	Nil	2770.93	1500.00	Active	1	Own
62	Russell	10	1	11	21	25	14	6	124.00	5.00	59.52	Nil	59.52	1200.00	Dorm	1	Rent
84	Hamiota	10	1	11	11	40	14	7	114.00	70.00	300.22	Nil	500.22	200.00	Dorm	1	Rent
92	Shoal Lake	11	2	13	29	47	18	13	259.00	Nil	210.67	78.80	1348.77	500.00	Active	1	Rent
101	Binscarth	10	..	10	9	27	10	5	294.00	Nil	34.71	267.81	266.86	500.00	Dorm	1	Rent
102	Miniota	12	..	12	25	35	19	12	120.00	Nil	682.79	Nil	1821.00	1825.00	Active	1	Own
106	Strathclair	11	1	12	15	27	14	6	153.00	55.00	119.27	71.85	1166.42	700.00	Fair	1	Own
115	Rivers	9	1	10	20	22	15	3	177.80	20.00	714.02	Nil	714.02	200.00	Fair	1	Rent
129	Shellmouth	10	..	10	8	13	9	1	27.00	Nil	39.40	450.00	1550.00	1250.00	Dorm	1	Own
142	Harmony	7	..	7	5	14	8	7	30.00	Nil	107.12	Nil	202.12	500.00	Dorm	1	Rent
152	Foxwarren	9	2	11	6	25	12	9	67.40	Nil	109.06	Nil	1800.00	1300.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1939

27	Glenwood	11	4	15	46	71	..	50	Nil	15.00	369.13	Nil	369.13	1500.00	Active	1	Rent
40	Deloraine	11	..	11	27	44	..	27	220.50	50.47	293.83	Nil	2389.33	375.00	Active	1	Rent
52	Hartney	11	2	13	23	58	..	41	363.75	66.75	14.64	Nil	1521.39	800.00	Active	1	Rent
54	Oriental	10	2	12	10	39	..	15	124.00	Nil	472.68	95.15	906.54	600.00	Active	1	Rent
77	Napinka	10	1	11	21	29	..	20	100.00	Nil	283.81	51.75	232.06	100.00	Active	1	Rent
86	Elgin	11	1	12	11	46	..	14	95.00	Nil	623.81	Nil	623.81	Nil	Active	1	Rent
104	Reston	12	4	16	20	81	..	29	326.30	110.20	101.06	298.60	7116.26	4500.00	Active	1	Own
110	Kilwinning	9	..	9	18	25	..	12	110.40	Nil	680.42	37.72	898.95	300.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1939

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
74	Elkhorn	11	2	13	22	16	13	7	52.50	30.00	146.23	2860.00	838.75	2500.00	Active	1	Own
43	Lebanon	12	3	15	33	38	25	21	254.75	161.43	288.45	99.20	444.00	300.00	Active	1	Rent
44	Oak Lake	10	1	11	10	23	14	18	126.00	31.05	19.27	Nil	1600.00	1300.00	Active	1	Own
107	Lansdowne	9	1	10	5	36	16	16	120.00	10.00	54.02	70.00	90.00	225.00	Active	1	Rent
64	Composite	10	..	10	24	25	16	..	139.00	Nil	193.33	Nil	1382.00	800.00	Active	1	Own
19	Brandon	10	2	12	77	123	43	47	285.00	144.76	1297.55	285.16	7190.63	200.00	Active	..	Rent
113	Tweed	10	4	14	76	164	45	78	468.00	80.00	1890.02	168.50	15721.83	300.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1939

6	Emerson	10	..	10	27	34	21	10	284.00	Nil	215.60	Nil	5000.00	3700.00	Active	1	Own
8	King Solomon	12	..	12	27	35	15	6	84.00	Amt. not Stated	139.38	100.00	2400.00	2500.00	Active	1	Own
55	East Star	11	..	11	30	16	12	23	336.00	104.00	318.51	23.45	695.06	400.00	Active	1	Rent
70	Shiloh	10	..	10	18	53	30	18	164.50	Nil	345.06	44.25	1140.31	250.00	Active	1	Rent
90	Midlothian	10	..	10	17	44	17	8	70.00	13.15	196.19	166.10	1080.09	200.00	Active	1	Rent
120	Penza	9	..	9	7	26	10.8	7	70.00	29.15 120.00	115.49	Nil	2500.00	1500.00	Active	1	Own
125	Patricia	9	1	10	8	17	12	2	12.00	Nil	57.34	Nil	650.00	300.00	Active	1	Rent
155	Carman	10	..	10	7	34	14	7	55.00	Nil	34.50	117.85	496.65	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1939

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
68	Vermillion	11	2	13	56	97	49	34	329.00	161.00	572.57	Nil	5393.87	2000.00	Active	1	Rent
94	Hiram	12	2	14	18	34	18	8	56.50	130.00	130.00	76.85	2363.65	1750.00	Active	1	Own
100	Robbie Burns	8	1	9	12	20	14	11	90.00	40.30	160.90	22.00	408.00	200.00	Active	1	Rent
105	Prince Arthur	12	2	14	37	25	22	7	130.00	40.00	Nil	Nil	Nil	500.00	Active	1	Rent
122	Roblin	11	..	11	7	25	12	6	130.00	10.00	29.48	208.18	491.82	750.00	Active	1	Own
126	Favel	10	..	10	8	24	12	6	98.00	Nil	249.72	1000.00	500.00	1500.00	Improving in Activity	1	Own
128	Victory	7	..	7	14	19	10	6	106.00	Nil	31.93	50.00	387.93	300.00	Increased Activity	1	Rent
147	Jubilee	12	1	13	15	27	13	13	93.00	Nil	191.74	Nil	150.00	100.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1939

2	Lisgar	10	5	15	60	71	..	32	380.00	Nil	56.89	3350.00	1603.00	4000.00	Active	1	Own
12	Stonewall	11	3	14	23	70	..	22	135.00	55.00	124.58	150.00	2704.58	1400.00	Active	1	Own
112	Ophir	11	..	11	19	42	..	14	112.00	Nil	222.07	No record	No record	2500.00	Active	1	Own
123	Transcona	10	1	11	16	109	..	68	740.50	92.00	303.87	731.52	1028.35	500.00	Active	1	Rent
131	Kildonan	9	2	11	10	78	..	32	435.00	121.50	1219.22	72.12	4693.24	4500.00	Active	1	Own
134	Stony Mountain	9	3	12	19	38	..	23	141.00	15.00	176.82	4.05	2822.77	1400.00	Active	1	Own
148	Seven Oaks	9	..	9	7	77	..	22	163.00	82.00	398.00	38.00	4538.92	800.00	Active	1	Rent
151	The Dormer	9	2	11	1	46	..	8	80.00	Nil	515.29	100.63	1481.66	500.00	Active	1	Rent
154	Pine Falls	12	1	13	10	33	..	14	88.50	10.00	778.03	54.78	1371.85	400.00	Active	1	Rent
156	Manitouwapa	8	5	13	..	33	..	1	4.00	17.18	250.13	Nil	250.00	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1939

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
130	Fort Garry	9	3	12	25	162	Fair	53	593.00	86.00	674.61	Nil	4394.80	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
136	Capitol	9	..	..	27	141	Fair	53	575.00	560.00	866.38	Nil	1866.38	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
137	Lord Selkirk	9	..	..	21	83	Fair	27	355.00	74.72	297.63	260.00	2954.05	250.00	Active	1	Rent
138	Windsor	9	2	11	16	114	Fair	19	523.00	77.50	358.59	2873.72	10227.04	5500.00	Active	1	Own
139	Beaver	9	1	10	41	156	Fair	64	543.00	100.00	1253.13	21.00	4271.84	500.00	Active	1	Rent
140	Meridian	9	4	13	20	238	Fair	99	947.00	154.57	1186.25	262.00	8963.84	Nil	Active	1	Part O.
141	Tuscan	9	2	11	11	57	Fair	20	360.00	120.75	796.69	41.90	754.59	300.00	Active	1	Rent
143	Mount Sinai	9	..	9	26	173	Fair	80	1150.00	75.00	163.97	163.97	3998.03	Nil	Active	1	Rent
144	Fort Osborne	9	..	9	19	84	Fair	20	281.70	114.50	342.64	125.00	2899.30	750.00	Active	1	Rent
145	Sturgeon Creek	9	..	9	6	72	Fair	11	99.00	91.06	628.94	20.00	2063.27	400.00	Active	1	Rent
146	Fidelity	9	..	9	4	105	Fair	18	220.00	106.38	470.89	216.43	3172.89	200.00	Active	1	Part O.

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Address
Alabama	Guy F. Smith	Montgomery
Alberta	J. H. W. S. Kemmis	Calgary
Alpina	F. Muller-Ruegg	Bern, Switzerland
Arizona	Harry A. Drachman	Tucson
Arkansas	W. A. Thomas	Little Rock
British Columbia	Frank S. McKee	Vancouver
California	John Whicher	San Francisco
Canada (in Ontario)	Ewart G. Dixon	Hamilton
Chili	Rod Castro Oliveria	Santiago
Colombia	Jose G. Fabre Carlos S. Hernandez (Ext.)	Bogota-Apartado, 2519
Colorado	Charles A. Patton	Denver
Connecticut	Winthrop Buck	Hartford
Costa Rica	Edward Sasso	San Jose
Cuba	Dr. Constantino Pais	Havana, Apartado, 72
Czechoslovakia, N.G.L.		
Delaware	Chester R. Jones	Wilmington
Denmark N.G.L.	A. T. K. Troedsson	Copenhagen, 23 Blegdamsvej
District of Columbia	J. Claude Kieper	Washington, D.C.
Ecuador	Jose A. Vallejo Ycaza	Guayaquil
England	Sydney A. White	London
Egypt	Mohamed Bey Rifaat	Cairo, Box 148
Florida	Geo. W. Huff	Jacksonville
France, Grand Lodge of	Maurice Lhomme	Paris, 8 Rue Puteaux
France, N.G.L.	G. H. Hargreaves	Paris, 42 Rue de Rochechouart
Guatemala	Pedro Donis O.	Guatemala City
Georgia	Frank F. Baker	Macon
Honduras, C.A.	Constantino S. Ramos	Honduras, C.A.
Idaho	Curtis F. Pike	Boise
Illinois	R. C. Davenport	Harrisburg
Indiana	William H. Swintz	Indianapolis
Iowa	Charles C. Hunt	Cedar Rapids
Ireland	Henry C. Shellard	Dublin
Kansas	Elmer F. Strain	Topeka
Kentucky	Al. E. Orton	Louisville, 200 Shubert Bldg.
Lessing Zu Den Drei Ringen		
Louisiana	D. Peter Laguens, Jr.	New Orleans
Maine	Convers E. Leach	Portland
Manitoba	J. H. G. Russell	Winnipeg
Maryland	Claud Shaffer	Baltimore
Massachusetts	Frank H. Hilton (Acting)	Boston
Mexico, York G.L.	Fred T. Berger	Mexico City, D.F. Apartado, 1986
Michigan	F. Homer Newton	Grand Rapids
Minnesota	John H. Anderson	St. Paul
Mississippi	Sid. F. Curtis	Meridian
Missouri	Arthur Mather	St. Louis
Montana	Luther T. Hauberg	Helena
Nebraska	Lewis E. Smith	Omaha
Netherlands G. O.	A. F. L. Faubel	The Hague
Nevada	E. C. Peterson	Carson City
New Brunswick	R. D. Magee	Saint John, N.B.
New Hampshire	J. Melvin Dresser	Concord
New Jersey	Isaac Cherry	Trenton
New Mexico	Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESS OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES—Continued

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Address
New South Wales	David Cunningham	Sydney
New York	Charles H. Johnson	New York
New Zealand	H. A. Lamb	P.O. Box 1293, Christchurch Cl.
North Carolina	John H. Anderson	Raleigh
North Dakota	Walter L. Stockwell	Fargo
Norway	Col. J. P. Graff-Wang	N. Voldgate 19, Oslo
Nova Scotia	James C. Jones	Halifax
Ohio	Harry S. Johnson	Cincinnati
Oklahoma	Claude A. Sturgeon	Guthrie
Oregon	D. R. Cheney	Portland
Panama	Andres Mojica	Panama, Apartado, 84
Paraiba	Augusto de Almeida Simoes	Paraiba, Brazil, P.O. Box 3
Pennsylvania	Matthew Galt, Jr.	Philadelphia
Philippine Islands	Antonio Gonzalez	Manila
Porto Rico	Rodolfo Ramirez Pabon	San Juan
Prince Edward Island	C. M. Williams	Charlottetown
Quebec	W. W. Williamson	Montreal
Queensland	Leslie P. Marks	Brisbane
Rhode Island	H. L. McAuslan	Providence
Rio de Janeiro	Dr. Daniel Corea Trindada	P.O. Box 2215, Rio de Jan.
Santa Domingo	Jose Marie Perez Andujar	Santa Domingo
Saskatchewan	Robert A. Tate	Regina
Sao Paulo	Elisiarie Pinto Lima	Sao Paulo, Brazil
Scotland	Thomas G. Winning	Edinburgh
South Africa	F. L. Knight	Cape Town
South Australia	R. Owen Fox	Adelaide
South Carolina	O. Frank Hart	Columbia
South Dakota	W. D. Swain	Sioux Falls
Tasmania	W. H. Strutt	Hobart
Tennessee	Thomas E. Doss	Nashville
Texas	George H. Belew	Waco
Utah	S. H. Goodwin	Salt Lake City
Vermont	A. S. Harriman	Burlington
Victoria	William Stewart	Melbourne
Vienna		
Virginia	James F. Clift	Richmond
Washington	Horace W. Tyler	Tacoma
West Virginia	I. Wade Coffman	Charleston
Western Australia	A. E. Jensen	Perth
Wisconsin	William F. Weiler	Milwaukee
Wyoming	J. M. Lowndes	Casper

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	Chas. H. Stubinger	Birmingham	Mar. 10, 1937
Alberta	John S. Stewart	Lethbridge	May 2,1921
Alpina	John Stucke	Bergstrasse 88 (Zurich-7)	Jan. 5, 1939
Arizona	Rev. Robt. S. Calder	Phoenix	Jan. 31, 1940
Arkansas	John H. Pinson	El-Dorado	Mar. 27, 1925
British Columbia	Donald Adams	Revelstoke	Oct. 13, 1930
Canada (in Ontario)	Frederick Cook	Ottawa	Nov. 19, 1915
Chili	Artouro de la Cruz	Santiago	Oct. 14, 1929
Colombia	Francis H. Grob	Bogota	Jan. 5, 1939
Colorado	Ira C. Foster	Montrose	Feb. 24, 1940
Connecticut	Willard A. Hunt	Forestville	April 22, 1939
Costa Rica	Iric C. Murray	San Jose	Aug. 1, 1921
Cuba, Island of	Thomas C. Sierria	Havana	June 6, 1923
Delaware	Louis S. Cain	Wilmington	Jan. 29, 1927
Denmark N.G.L.	C. E. Monrath-Oxholm	Copenhagen	Aug. 7, 1931
District of Columbia	Needham C. Tumage	Washington	July 20, 1908
Ecuador	Octavio Moran	Guayaquil	July 21, 1932
England	The Rt. Hon. Viscount de Vesci	Monk Hopton, Bridgnorth	Nov. 25, 1939
Egypt	Alfred Seffer	Cairo	Dec. 8, 1925
Florida	Frank A. Brown	Miami	Apr. 2, 1940
France, Grand Lodge of	Louis Doignon	Paris	Nov. 29, 1926
France, N.G.L.	J. C. D. Scarlett	Paris	April 26, 1936
Guatemala	Carlos A. Gieseler	Guatemala	June 10, 1925
Georgia	John A. Bishop	Atlanta	Feb. 1, 1933
Honduras, C. A.	Jesus M. Lopez	Honduras	Dec. 1, 1931
Idaho	George M. Scott	Idaho Falls	Jan. 21, 1919
Illinois	G. Haven Stephens	Danville	Aug. 30, 1924
Indiana	George W. Schneider	New Albany	April 17, 1903
Ireland	David Ferris	Newry	Nov. 1, 1921
Kansas	Harold B. Groff	Topeka	Sept. 18, 1936
Kentucky	John L. Vest	Louisville	Aug. 15, 1927
Louisiana	Thomas Gessner	Hammond	May 10, 1940
Maine	Porter A. Roberts	Portland	July 20, 1937
Maryland	J. Fletcher Fairbank	St. Michael's	April 15, 1935
Massachusetts	Edwin O. Childs	Newton	Nov. 5, 1936
Mexico, York G.L. of	R. B. E. Turnbull	Mexico City	July 6, 1933
Michigan	Louis Anderson	Omena	June 1, 1932
Minnesota	Lloyd Peabody	St. Paul	Nov. 29, 1931
Mississippi	A. F. Copeland	Leland	April 19, 1932
Missouri	Harris C. Johnston	Boonville	Nov. 16, 1936
Montana	W. J. Johnston	Thompson Falls	July 8, 1937
Nebraska	John A. Van Anda	Freemont	May 18, 1938
Netherlands G. O.	K. G. Jorksveld	Utrecht	Feb. 2, 1939
Nevada	Sam. P. Kafoury	Reno	June 2, 1933
New Brunswick	Donald Munro	Woodstock	April 20, 1892
New Hampshire	Walter C. Chesley	Northwood	April 10, 1934
New Jersey	James F. Russell	Jersey City	April 1, 1923
New Mexico	Earl A. Turner	Las Vegas	July 8, 1937
New South Wales	E. E. Cupit	Sydney	Oct. 13, 1923
New York	Edwin W. Seager	Randolph	Feb. 2, 1939
New Zealand	Gilbert T. Bull	Gisborne	Oct. 15, 1909
North Carolina	J. L. Peacock	Tarboro	July 1935

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES—Continued

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
North Dakota	Paul B. Griffiths	Grand Forks	Jan. 5, 1939
Norway	Jans W. Berg	Christiana	Nov. 1, 1921
Nova Scotia	W. E. Thompson	Halifax	April 18, 1934
Ohio	William H. Maddox	Roseville	April 15, 1939
Oklahoma	Clyde Ray	Tulsa	Sept. 29, 1937
Oregon	Wilmot K. Royal	Portland	Dec. 4, 1933
Panama	Raymond L. Toledano	Panama	Dec. 1, 1926
Paraiba	Dr. Arlindo Correa	Paraiba, Brazil	July 10, 1939
Philippine Islands	Gonzalo T. Vales	Manila	Feb. 6, 1940
Puerto Rico	George W. Robert	San Juan	Oct. 1, 1917
Prince Edward Island	Donald Baker	Summerside	May 8, 1936
Quebec	W. R. Allen	Montreal	Jan. 14, 1918
Queensland	William K. McLuckie	Brisbane	June 1, 1923
Rhode Island	Harold L. McAuslan	Providence	April 16, 1928
Rio de Janeiro	Leon Benshat	Rio de Janeiro	Feb. 20, 1931
Sao Paulo	Carlos Reis Filho	Sao Paulo Brazil	Jan. 5, 1939
Saskatchewan			
Scotland	Rev. Hugh F. Reid	Chirnside	Jan. 8, 1930
South Australia	E. J. Copping	Adelaide	Aug. 1, 1930
South Carolina	William W. Gregory	Inman	May 15, 1934
South Dakota	W. D. Swain	Sioux Falls	Jan. 15, 1937
Tasmania	R. V. W. Green	Launceston	April 24, 1928
Tennessee	Ira Parker	Nashville	Mar. 1, 1932
Texas	J. W. Pender	Denton	Mar. 1, 1931
Utah	R. W. Macdonald	Park City	April 7, 1938
Vermont	Charles B. Adams	Waterbury	Feb. 5, 1923
Victoria	Edgar J. Carter	Melbourne	Sept. 10, 1934
Virginia	Lynwood P. Harrell	Roanoke	Aug. 15, 1927
Washington	A. E. Emerson	Ellenburg	Dec. 8, 1916
West Virginia	Charles B. Ahrens	Wheeling	Aug. 17, 1939
Western Australia	Arthur G. Stiles	Perth	Aug. 16, 1934
Wisconsin	Ray H. Watson	Milwaukee	May 1, 1939

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Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	Francis H. Dagg	Holland	Mar. 31, 1920
Alberta	Hugh M. Kerr	Brandon	Nov. 25, 1930
Alpina (Switzerland)	W. C. Birt	Winnipeg	Oct. 22, 1939
Arizona	E. G. Hunt	Winnipeg	June 21, 1923
Arkansas			
British Columbia	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset	Selkirk	June 10, 1924
Canada (in Ontario)			
Chili	N. J. Black	Winnipeg	May 13, 1920
Colorado	K. R. Kennedy	Winnipeg	Mar. 5, 1938
Connecticut	M. S. Donovan	Brandon	May 21, 1935
Costa Rica	R. McKenzie	Roland	May 30, 1923
Cuba	J. Morgan Davies	Winnipeg	
Czechoslovakia			
Delaware	John Coulter	Treherne	April 2, 1915
Denmark	Stanley H. Fahrni	Gladstone	Oct. 17, 1930
District of Columbia	A. H. Steventon	Winnipeg	May 18, 1932
Ecuador	C. Weichman	Treherne	June 1935
England	Hon. Wm. J. Major	Winnipeg	June 12, 1935
Egypt	Edward T. Hardman	Oak River	June 2, 1934
Florida	Hon. Robert Hawkins	Dauphin	Aug. 16, 1937
France, N.G.L.	Chas. H. Midwinter	Winnipeg	Mar. 3, 1937
France			
Guatemala	J. J. Sinclair	Winnipeg	
Georgia	J. H. G. Russell	Winnipeg	June 1, 1928
Honduras	A. G. Cowan	Winnipeg	Oct. 17, 1930
Idaho	Hector French	Stony Mountain	June 1, 1928
Illinois	William R. Leslie	Morden	June 21, 1931
Indiana	Sydney A. Wood	Winnipeg	May 16, 1940
Ireland	John T. Boyd	Winnipeg	Oct. 3, 1935
Kansas	Jabez Miller	Winnipeg	June 15, 1914
Kentucky	James L. Lawson	Winnipeg	June 24, 1927
Lessing Zu Den Drei Ringen			
Louisiana	Charles E. Cole	Portage la Prairie	Feb. 28, 1938
Maine	W. D. Harper	Emerson	Jan. 19, 1937
Maryland	Norman McDougall	Emerson	April 29, 1930
Massachusetts	Rev. Geo. W. Findlay	Winnipeg	May 1, 1929
Mexico, York G.L. of	M. A. Nitikman	Winnipeg	May 23, 1940
Michigan	Rev. Andrew B. Baird	Winnipeg	May 26, 1930
Minnesota	Ben C. Parker	Winnipeg	Jan. 13, 1938
Mississippi	George N. Jackson	Winnipeg	Mar. 30, 1902
Missouri	Maris H. Garton	Boissevain	Jan. 31, 1934
Montana			
Nebraska	Hugh Mackenzie	Winnipeg	Nov. 15, 1935
Netherlands G. O.	A. L. Crossin	Winnipeg	July 9, 1921
Nevada	Thomas A. Argue	Winnipeg	June 10, 1924
New Brunswick	Rev. Geo. R. Calvert	Winnipeg	April 27, 1938
New Hampshire	George Hunter	Winnipeg	Dec. 6, 1926
New Jersey	Wm. G. Corbett	Stonewall	May 27, 1940
New Mexico	H. B. Donnelly	Winnipeg	July 1937
New South Wales	James Mackie	Winnipeg	June 10, 1921
New York	Rev. Geo. A. Woodside	Winnipeg	May 14, 1932
New Zealand	Samuel Burland	Winnipeg	Mar. 22, 1937
North Carolina	W. D. Lawrence	Winnipeg	Mar. 11, 1938
North Dakota	J. Frank Dart	Winnipeg	Jan. 18, 1937

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Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Norway	J. P. McKinnon	Macgregor	Oct. 24, 1920
Nova Scotia	David S. Woods	Winnipeg	Oct. 13, 1926
Ohio	Arthur E. Boyle	Winnipeg	June 10, 1924
Oklahoma			
Oregon	J. James Henderson	Shoal Lake	June 20, 1924
Paraiba	Wm. L. Cann	Virden	Aug. 1938
Philippine Islands	Rev. James S. Miller	Stony Mountain	May 15, 1921
Panama	Hon. I. B. Griffith	Binscarth	Oct. 23, 1926
Puerto Rico			
Prince Edward Island	Thomas R. Falconer	Deloraine	May 7, 1931
Quebec	Harvey T. Waters	Winnipeg	May 17, 1940
Queensland	Eli E. Spencer	Morden	Jan. 19, 1934
Rhode Island	John R. Stalker	Shoal Lake	Aug. 15, 1926
Rio de Janeiro	William Cairns	Macgregor	Oct. 23, 1920
Santa Domingo	William G. Shaw	Elgin	May 30, 1932
Saskatchewan	Alex. Burgess	Winnipeg	Jan. 21, 1937
Scotland	William Douglas	Winnipeg	1936
South Australia	Daniel Hawe	Benito	Jan. 14, 1931
South Carolina	Chas. R. Sayer	Winnipeg	May 20, 1940
South Dakota	Thomas Stockdale	Winnipeg	May 25, 1935
Tasmania	John Parton	Winnipeg	1936
Tennessee	James S. MacEwing	Treherne	Oct. 15, 1913
Texas			
Utah	Dr. J. A. Martin	Sperling	Mar. 2, 1937
Vermont	Dr. Frank K. Purdie	Griswold	May 13, 1932
Victoria	Andrew Manson	Shoal Lake	Feb. 2, 1922
Vienna			
Virginia	Harry Woods	Winnipeg	Aug. 7, 1935
Washington	George R. Mackay	Winnipeg	May 20, 1929
West Virginia	William Fenwick	Brandon	Dec. 29, 1898
Western Australia	John Watson	Beausejour	May 15, 1918
Wisconsin	Wm. J. Edwards	Winnipeg	May 20, 1940

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

HUGH M. KERR
Chairman

ALBERTA, 1939—

The Grand Lodge of Alberta met in their Thirty-fourth Annual Communication at Calgary, on June 14th, 1939. M.W. Bro. Archibald West presided. A constitutional number of Lodges being represented, the Grand Lodge opened in Ample form, with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

There were 13 Past Grand Masters in attendance at the opening.

After the opening, the Mayor of Calgary, R.W. Bro. A. Davidson was introduced by M.W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay, and spoke very briefly in his welcome to the delegates, part of his address being:

"This is the first time that a Reigning Sovereign has visited a Dominion and he came to us not as the King of Great Britain, but as King of Canada and as such we welcomed him. I think it is unfortunate that the dictates of Custom made it impossible for us as Masons to extend to our King, as a member of our Fraternity the honors with which we should like to have met him."

The reception of Distinguished Visitors was the next order of procedure and R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was introduced and accorded Grand Honors. In speaking of R.W. Bro. Henderson, the Grand Master said:

"As a representative of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, we extend our greetings as the representative of our Mother Grand Lodge, because Alberta was started as a Grand Jurisdiction with the cordial parental blessing of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. It is sufficiently uncommon to be unusual, for a child to be able to welcome and express its gratitude to its Mother and Grandmother at the same time."

The roll showed 36 Representatives of Grand Jurisdictions answering the call.

The Grand Master in speaking showed a very active year in the Grand Lodge of Alberta and that he had made many outside visitations, two being his attendance at the

Bi-Centenary of the Establishment of Masonry in Canada which was held in Halifax, and also for the first time in its history that the Grand Master had attended the regular Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. He showed how the financial resources of Grand Lodge have been seriously affected by decreased income from funded investments owing to the lowering of interest rates. In concluding his report he states:

"It is a particular pleasure to note that an increasing number of younger men are being initiated. It is the reasoned opinion of your Grand Master that the membership of the craft having been purged by the difficulties of the past few years, now consists of Brethren who have a vital interest in Masonry and what it ought to and does stand for in the lives of its members and in the life of the community."

The District Deputy Grand Masters gave a good account of their stewardship. From what we learn that attendance was generally good and interest keen.

During the morning session of the Second day, a radio was installed so that the members assembled could hear the farewell messages of Their Majesties before they left the shores of Canada.

M.W. Bro. George Moore was elected Grand Master for the ensuing year, and M.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, re-elected as Grand Secretary.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presented a review of Jurisdictions in which Manitoba is given a page of comment concerning the Grand Communication of 1938. —E.I.D.

ALABAMA, 1939—

The One Hundred and Nineteenth Annual Communication was held in the City of Montgomery on December 5th, 1939.

The M.W. Grand Lodge was opened in Ample form by the Acting Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Ency F. Yeilding. Bro. Charles H. Stubinger, represented Manitoba.

The Acting Grand Master reports having made 121 visits to Lodges not including conferences on other matters, having travelled about 25,000 miles.

One cornerstone was laid and fourteen Lodges were consolidated during the year.

We regret to have to record the fact that Grand Master Adams died December 14th, 1938, just one week after his re-election.

The Statistical summary shows 433 Lodges and 27,838 members with a net gain of 263.

No reviews.

GRAND LODGE APLINA, SWITZERLAND, 1939—

The Eighty-seventh Annual Communication was held in Lucerne, on May 14th, 1939. The Grand Master, Dr. Kurt Von Sury, delivered a very fine address also other speakers addressed the members. In 1938 an event of much interest and significance to the Masonic world took place in Switzerland, which is a strong democratic republic, with a population of over 3,000,000—71% of whom are German, 21% French and 6% Italian. In religion 58% are Protestants, and the balance or 42% are Roman Catholic. A plebicite was submitted to the country on November 28th, 1937, as to whether all secret societies should be suppressed, the Masonic Order being especially aimed at. The result, it is gratifying to know, was a heavy majority, about 3 to 1, not to suppress Freemasonry, Rotary and fraternal or semi-secret organizations.

The plebiscite was the result of a petition made in 1934 by Col. A. Fonjallas, who proposed an amendment to the Constitution to ban Freemasonry, Rotary and similar societies. This action of Switzerland is remarkable, when it is remembered that it is bounded on the north, south and east by Germany and Italy, both of which have suppressed Freemasonry.

There are 41 Lodges, with a membership of 3961.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND MASTER

"I cordially bid you all welcome to this our Annual Grand Lodge Celebration. A year of serious thought and honest work lies behind us. We are glad to offer our wishes and greetings to the new Grand Master here today, and even while our thoughts already look to the future, expecting all that is good and fine from it, we must first rouse the powers slumbering within us, in order that they may help us to accomplish just work, and overcome the tasks lying ahead of us. Whatever strength and resolution recent years have brought to us, whatever purposes begun in us and struggling in happy pride to the light, we have preserved and fostered them, felt them grow in us to that exaltation and loyal conviction for our Masonic principles with which we marched into the battle and helped to win victory for truth, justice and spiritual freedom.

"Our Grand Lodge stands built anew on the firm foundation of brotherly love and confidence, esteemed by many of our fellow citizens and by the Grand Lodges allied with us, the Alpina shines forth, according to ancient Masonic tradition, as the faithful guardian of the human rights handed down to us, but today, so severely forbidden in many places, as the guardian of the dignity of man, as the bright star of brotherly love and humanity—otherwise the heavens would be as black again. Our very belief in the imperishable goodness in every mortal gives us the certainty that after these decades of mad destruction of cultural values laboriously won, and of the massacre of millions of men, the dawn of peace, of reconciliation and with it the return of reason, goodness and better mutual understanding, must break for the nations again. The rhythms of secular world movements show us that, and that gives us hope for a better time.

"All the more must we, aroused from a comfortable meditation, think of the task imposed upon each of us by his admission to our Lodge, and of the mission voluntarily undertaken, to be an

apostle of the Royal Craft. The quickening of its ideas within us and their application externally is our principle task. It is Masonic regeneration, a Renaissance, which our Lodge needs essentially, if it is at all willing to fulfill another cultural mission in our Fatherland and in the world. To make this resurgence possible, self-examination is necessary and a searching spiritual and emotional deepening and comprehension of our rituals and symbols. Only so do we experience a joyful awakening and only so will we feel the divine light which shines in the darkness. It is the true light from the symbolical East, the light of love which makes us great, strong and yet humble, which matures our personality and makes us gentle and kind.

"If in the summer of 1937, I gave you the defiant 'I will' as a motto for the forthcoming election and in 1938 the modest 'I serve' I would like to close our term of work with the quiet 'I thank.'

"I thank you all, Brothers, for the confidence, support and brotherly love, which you have consistently shown. Even if we have not always been able to be of one mind, yet respect for each other has always been ours. May the Lodges of the Alpina remain a refuge of peace and of the spiritual esoteric experience.

"I also thank a kind fate which permitted us to guide the Swiss Freemasons successfully through hard times. The Alpina Grand Lodge remains the centre of the Masonic life for the honor and service of our beloved Fatherland. May the Alpina be a symbol to us of the firmly cast chain of brotherhood, strong in itself and borne by men, by Masonic Brothers, who are most deeply convinced that goodness and love are always conquerors in the individual and in the world.

"And so Brothers, may these three guiding words accompany us in the future, 'To will, to serve and to thank.' We will keep loyal to our Lodge. Let each of us work industriously for the welfare of his Lodge, permeated by the immutable will ever to advance his inner man in the circle of the like-minded. What we have won for ourselves in continuous work, we will carry out into the world and serve our fellow men with it. Service to our neighbor, understanding of his need, and practical brotherly love confer true nobility. We wish to give thanks that we are permitted to practice humanity in this sense, to master life with open mind and stout heart, to prove ourselves able as new men, and I would link this deeply felt thanks in our great prayer: A. B. A.W. Guard our Grand Alpina Lodge, may Thy peace shine over it and give it Thy blessing. Amen."

ARIZONA, 1940—

The Forty-eighth Annual Communication was held in the City of Prescott, on April 3rd, 1940.

M.W. Bro. Gurdon M. Butler opened Grand Lodge in Ample form.

From the Grand Master's Address we find that he was able to visit the thirty-nine constituent Lodges in his Jurisdiction and to take part in other Masonic activities. The following is quoted from his address:

"It is a pleasure to report that very few Masters invited others present to speak after I had delivered my address. When such invitation was extended, other Grand Lodge officers were usually the only ones so recognized and they invariably spoke briefly. It is now generally believed in this Jurisdiction that, when a Grand Master makes his official visitation to a Lodge, it is his night and that others should not be asked to address the Lodge."

We agree with this and might well be copied in many lodges we have visited. On "Grand Representatives" he has the following to say:

"APPOINTMENT OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVE

"Learning that a number of representatives of other Grand Lodges near ours were not preparing reviews of the Proceedings of the Jurisdictions that they represented and knowing that others had left the state, died or been suspended for non-payment of dues. I undertook the revision of the list. I wrote to every Grand representative in the state who had not been faithfully performing the duty of frequently attending Grand Lodge Sessions and preparing reviews of the Proceedings of the Grand Jurisdiction he represented, and asked him if he desired to be relieved or would agree to assume the responsibilities of his position. I also ascertained whether the Brothers whose appointment as Grand Representatives I proposed to recommend would shoulder these duties."

He made a number of new appointments among which was Bro. Robert S. Calder as representative for Manitoba.

"DECISIONS

"On March 7th, 1940, R.W. Bro. Carey B. Wilson wrote that Silver Trowel Lodge No. 29 had been invited by Canby Cross Lodge No. 679 of California to confer a Third Degree on top of Prisoners' Rock in Northern California, on July 13th, 1940, and asked if it would be permissible to raise one of Silver Trowel's own candidates there at that time.

"Since great honor is reflected upon Arizona Freemasonry by the invitation to exemplify our work at an annual affair that attracts about 1000 Masons, and because I could foresee no possible harm that might result, I replied favorably and announced the following:

"Decision: With the permission of the Grand Master an Arizona Lodge may initiate, pass, raise, in a foreign Jurisdiction a person regularly elected to membership in such Arizona Lodge, provided the Grand Master of such foreign Jurisdiction approves, and provided further that the place where the work is to be done is entirely suitable in that the requisite privacy can be maintained and such place can be properly titled."

The Committee on Jurisprudence disapproved this decision in the form as stated.

His views of the "Aims and Accomplishments" of Freemasonry which we have culled from the report did not get past the Jurisprudence Committee.

"STATEMENT OF AIMS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

"Most of you have heard me express the conviction that Freemasonry will not recover the ground that it has lost and is losing, and forge ahead, until we do two things: first, shift the emphasis from rituals and routine activities to enlightenment, discussion, and appropriate action by Masons as individuals, and, second make our Brothers proud of their affiliation with our Order and, as a natural result, desirous of retaining their connection with it.

"I believe that our members should be frequently reminded of the inestimably precious rights and privileges they owe to Masonry and to Masons, and that good and true men would be attracted to our Fraternity if they were aware of the fact that our distinctive, powerfully stimulating objective is to free mankind from civil and religious despotism and to keep men free. I there-

fore recommend that we approve a relatively brief statement along this line, have enough copies attractively printed in large type on good paper so that every member of each Arizona Lodge can be supplied with a copy, and request the recipients to display this statement in their offices, places of business, or homes.

"I further recommend that the sum of $100 be budgeted to cover the cost of putting this recommendation into effect and suggest that the statement might read as follows:

"I am a Freemason because the members of that ancient and honorable Order have always militantly upheld the torch of liberty and I know that the inestimably precious rights and privileges that we free Americans enjoy are a heritage from our Masonic forebears who wrote these principles into the Constitution of our country.

"I am a Freemason because that Fraternity has always and everywhere taught the practice of the noble and heroic virtues of reverence for Diety, fidelity, temperance, tolerance, justice, fortitude, courage, integrity, benevolence, self-sacrifice, and love for our fellowmen.

"I am a Freemason because I desire to do my part to perpetuate human freedom and because I am happy to be bound by the ties of brotherhood to millions of men of many races and creeds who are endeavoring to mold their lives on these high ideals.

(2) "We disapprove the recommendations of the Grand Master with respect to the adoption of a statement of Masonic principles, the printing of copies thereof, and the display of placards in offices and places of business. Masonry carries a different appeal to different men, and we feel that it is not advisable for this body to formally adopt any brief statement of the aims and accomplishments of this Grand Institution, no matter how much such a statement may appeal to us as individuals. Likewise, it is highly improper for this Grand Lodge to countenance, much less authorize or encourage, the display by members of this Fraternity, of statements referring to affiliations with our Order in their offices or places of business."

The Special Committee on separation of Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter O.E.S. Meetings report that after careful consideration of this matter we recommend that no action be taken by this Grand Lodge at this time and the Committee be discharged; we wonder why!

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. Lloyd C. Henning as Chairman but the reviews are prepared by the representatives of each Jurisdiction and we notice that Bro. R. S. Calder fraternally reviews Manitoba, and we take this opportunity to welcome him to the round table.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1939—

The Grand Lodge of British Columbia held their Sixty-eighth Annual Communication in the City of Victoria, on the 22nd of June, 1939, M.W. Bro. C. M. Kingston, Grand Master, presiding.

R.W. Bro. Donald Adams represented Manitoba.

The Grand Master in a business like address, covering his many duties performed throughout the year, reports a number of new Temples being erected and an increase in the number of young men seeking admission. He also attended a number of International meetings, these are a good thing and tend to bring the brethren into closer friendship.

There were no appeals to the Grand Master for rulings so that it looks as if the Constituent Lodges were well versed in the Constitution.

The reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters show that the Lodges are making headway, with peace and harmony prevailing.

The Special Committee on Transportation has been continued in office for another year and have been authorized to obtain the feeling of each Constituent Lodge as to whether they are in favor of contributing towards a fund for payment of expenses to delegates and report at the next meeting of Grand Lodge.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. W. A. DeWolf-Smith. Manitoba is not included evidently not arriving in time for inclusion in the report.

CALIFORNIA, 1939—

M.W. Bro. Leon A. Whitsell, Grand Master, opened the 90th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of California in Ample form at San Francisco on October 10th, 1939. In addition to the regular Grand Lodge Officers there were present, 19 Past Grand Masters.

Devotional services were conducted by V.W. Bro. Richard V. Perkins, Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Master's message showed a spirit of optimism. He has visited all the District and feels that Masonry has definitely passed its low spot in his Jurisdiction. Two lodges were consolidated in the interest of economy.

"A WATCH AT OUR LIPS

"Several times there has been called to my attention a matter to which the craft should give serious consideration. I refer to the lack of care exercised on the part of some of our California Brethren in discussing in the presence of the profane, the so-called secrets of the craft. There is an all to common practice to discuss too plainly and opening some of those things which should only be discussed behind tiled doors. There can be no possible excuse for this laxity.

"In the olden days, the secrets of the Fraternity, including what transpired at the stated meetings, were scrupulously guarded from the ears and eyes of others. The slightest disclosure of what transpired under the gavel brought down upon the heads of the offenders the punishment which their delinquencies so richly deserved.

"With respect to those things we are under obligation not to disclose, let us in the presence of non-Masons 'set a guard over our thoughts, a watch at our lips, and post a sentinel over our actions.'

"DECISIONS

"I was asked if a Lodge room on the ground floor can be legally used for Lodge purposes.

"My answer was, yes, if the Lodge room can be properly tiled, The method now in vogue in the building art has materially changed the construction of Lodge temples and Lodge rooms on what is commonly known as the ground floor. The building of Lodge rooms wholly within a building; that is, a box within a box, where there are no windows to the outside, the only outlets from the Lodge room being two doors to the west that lead to the anti-rooms and the air cooling vents, makes such a Lodge room subject to perfect tiling."

Special Communications were held for the purpose of instituting a new lodge, dedicating three new Masonic Temples, and laying four cornerstones. The number of lodges are 580 with a membership of 126,739.

Bro. G. Ellsworth Meyer, Grand Orator delivered an inspiring oration taking for his subject "The Quest". R.W. Bro. Jesse M. Whited furnished one of the finest reports on foreign correspondence which it has been our pleasure to read. It is in his usual topical form.

CANADA (in Ontario), 1939—

The Eighty-fourth Annual Communication held in the City of Toronto on July 19th, 1939.

M.W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop, Grand Master on the Throne.

Bro. Ralph Day, Mayor of the City of Toronto welcomed the delegates to Toronto. The Grand Master thanked the Mayor for his words of welcome.

The Grand Master reports attending the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

His remarks on Benevolence are timely and it cannot be too strongly emphasized that Freemasonry is not a philanthropic institution in a monetary sense.

It is suggested that a Custodian of the Work be appointed. This official would serve, of course, without any remuneration whatever. His duty it would be to answer questions regarding the ritual of our ceremonies and to instruct the District Deputy Grand Masters during each Annual Communication. This instruction, it will be agreed, should be given by the same official over a period of years in order that uniformity may be preserved. The Custodian of the Work would also read the printer's proof of the ritual of our ceremonies whenever it is necessary that these be re-printed and would see that no errors creep in as has sometimes happened in earlier years. The appointment of the Custodian of the Work might well be entrusted to the Past Grand Masters as they are responsible, collectively, for the ritual of our various ceremonies.

We quote from his remarks on "Church Attendance."

"May I remind the Brethren, once again, that most of my predecessors have stressed the importance of church attendance? And I have done my best to follow their example. Earl Baldwin, of Bewdley, renowned statesman and gifted thinker, speaking some weeks ago in the University of Toronto, impressed upon those who listened to his address the salient fact that, if the world is to return to sanity and to stability, a first essential is the rebuilding, the spiritual rebuilding, of the church and a return to the homely virtues prized and practised by our fathers, our grandfathers, and those before them. Our generation worships acceleration. We who are Masons must give time and thought to a better way. The type of religion which is overwhelming, all-absorbing, and almost fanatical, practised, taught, and talked about by some extremists, may have driven many good men away from participation in the means provided for the practice of real religion. But religion is a normal function of a healthy-minded human being. Sectarianism and the discussion thereof have no place in Masonry but true religion is vital to every Mason. Our Order is the handmaid of the

Church. For our own sake, for the safety of the next generation, for the welfare of the world, each Mason should do his share towards making effective the work of our churches.

"In our day some avoid the Church, because of the 'black sheep'; others find fault with the pious. Some say that the Church is sombre and others worldly; others complain that the Church is too calm and joyful amidst the world's misery. True, the Church is both solemn and joyful. So is Nature—sunshine and shadow. Even so is family life—a mixture of great sorrows and even greater joys. People may not with delicate choice pick their way into the Kingdom. It is a place for the whole-hearted. How much fairer the attitude of the Scotch woman who had disagreed with her minister. On seeing her in church the following Sunday, he expressed surprise, to which she retorted, 'Young man, my quarrel was with you, not with the Lord'."

The report on the Condition of Freemasonry makes interesting reading, however, lack of space prevents us from quoting from the report. From the Returns of Lodges we note that there are 95,462 members and 569 lodges. The report on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. W. F. Ponton, P.G.M. His reviews are always a delight to read. We also wish to express our sympathy to M.W. Bro. Ponton on his enforced absence from the Annual Communication owing to physical disability through an accident, and we wish you an early recovery. Manitoba was fraternally reviewed.

CHINA, NORTHERN, 1939—
(District Grand Lodge, E.C.)

The regular meeting of the District Grand Lodge was held on March 22nd, 1939, in Shanghai, R.W. Bro. W. Nation, District Grand Master, presided.

Visitors in Northern China from District Grand Lodges of Scotland, Massachusetts, Ireland, and the Philippines were in attendance.

The District Grand Master in his address reported that as the Grand Lodge of Vienna was forcibly dissolved it had necessarily caused the closure of "Lodge Lux Orientis" in Shanghai. At Hankow where Far Cathay Lodge No. 2855 is located and in March last year an exceptionally heavy air-raid commenced during a lodge meeting, but notwithstanding, the bombing and anti-aircraft fire, the brethren carried on and completed the Master Mason Ceremony. The Brother was being raised by request of "Peace and Unity Lodge" and he is not likely to forget his experience under such different conditions. The local situation in Hankow became extremely critical with the approach of the Japanese forces, when the Chinese started extensive demolition of buildings and huge fires were burning in various parts of the City. For greater safety, the regalia and furniture of the Lodge were removed to the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Building, part of the Masonic Hall premises became the Headquarters of the Special Police and conditions under martial law were so difficult that the November meeting of Far Cathay Lodge No. 2855 was held (under dispensation) in the Manager's flat at the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Building, which was transformed into a very beautiful Emergency Temple. Conditions became eased and meetings were resumed in the Masonic Hall.

COLORADO, 1939—

The Grand Lodge of Colorado held its Seventy-ninth Annual Communication in Denver on September 19th, 1939, with Grand Master William M. Nelson, presiding.

Representatives from 140 of the 147 Chartered Lodges were present.

Past Grand Master Jethro C. Sanford represented Manitoba.

Six Special Communications were held for the purpose of installing Grand Lodge Officers, dedicating a Masonic Hall, and the laying of cornerstones.

In this Jurisdiction, the Lodge Annual dues vary to a great extent as shown below:

ANNUAL DUES

1 Lodge	$2.00	4 Lodges	$7.50
4 Lodges	3.00	15 Lodges	8.00
7 Lodges	4.00	1 Lodge	9.00
40 Lodges	5.00	4 Lodges	10.00
50 Lodges	6.00	2 Lodges	12.00
5 Lodges	7.00		

1 Lodge	$4.00 to 60 years	1 Lodge	$6.00 to 60 years
	2.00 from 60 years		4.00 from 60 years
2 Lodges	$4.00 to 60 years	3 Lodges	$6.00 to 60 years
	3.00 from 60 years		5.00 from 60 years
1 Lodge	$5.00 to 60 years	1 Lodge	$7.00 to 60 years
	4.00 from 60 years		6.00 from 60 years
1 Lodge	$5.00 1st 5 years	1 Lodge	$9.00 to 60 years
	4.00 2nd 5 years		8.00 from 60 years
	3.00 to 60 years	1 Lodge	$10.00 to 60 years
			1.00 from 60 years
		1 Lodge	$10.00 res. members
			6.00 non-res. mem.

R.W. Bro. Herschel Horn, Grand Orator delivered a very fine oration taking for his subject, "The Lion's Paw."

No reviews.

CONNECTICUT, 1940—

The One Hundred and Fifty-second Annual Communication was convened by M.W. Bro. Thomas H. Desmond, Grand Master, in Hartford, on February 7th, 1940.

Fifteen Past Grand Masters were in attendance.

From the Grand Master's Address we note this Grand Lodge now requires all accepted candidates to submit to "fingerprinting" for the protective identification of members of the craft, one card is filed by each candidate which is forwarded to the Grand Secretary and by him to the Department of Justice, Washington, D.C., for the Civilian identification files.

An important phase of the work of a Grand Master, is making of fraternal visitations, which required travel of about 12,000 miles during the year and the making of 145 Masonic visitations.

Five Special Communications were held during the year.

The Grand Secretary reports 128 Lodges with a membership of 64,555, a net loss of 755.

The Review of other Grand Lodges is prepared by M.W. Bro. Winthrop Buck, P.G.M., which includes Manitoba for 1939.

DELAWARE, 1939—

The One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Annual Communication was held in the City of Wilmington on October 4th, 1939.

M.W. Bro. George E. Vandegrift, Grand Master presiding. Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present. Manitoba's representative Bro. Louis B. Cain was also in attendance.

The total representation in Grand Lodge was 233.

The Grand Master reports having visited all of the lodges in his Jurisdiction, a number of other visits outside

of his Jurisdiction were made, including his visit to the United Grand Lodge of England.

Two Emergent Communications were called during the year for the purpose of laying cornerstones.

The Grand Secretary reports 22 Lodges with a total membership of 5,188.

M.W. Bro. Thos. P. Day, P.G.M., submits the Review of Proceedings which includes Manitoba for 1939.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1939—

The Annual Report of this Grand Lodge covers the several Communications held during the year.

A special Communication was held January 17th, 1939, for the purpose of interring with Masonic Honors the remains of Past Grand Master James A. West.

A stated Communication was held May 10th, 1939. Bro. Needham C. Tumage was in attendance as representative for Manitoba. Reports of Committees and routine matters were considered.

A special Communication was held on June 8th, 1939, for the purpose of laying the cornerstone of the new Scottish Rite Temple.

The One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Annual Communication was held on December 20th, 1939, in Washington.

Grand Master Eugene E. Thompson in his address reports that the lodges are in good condition and it is worthy of note that lodges have expended for relief $35,402.75.

He also criticizes Lodge Officers for not concluding the work of the lodge at a reasonable hour and under no circumstances should the lodges be kept open after midnight.

The St. John's Day Communication was held on December 27th, 1939, Bro. N. C. Tumage was installed as Grand Master at this time.

Bro. J. Walter Karsner presents the report of the Committee on Correspondence in which Manitoba is fraternally reviewed.

ENGLAND, 1939—

The Annual Grand Festival Communication was held in London on April 26th, 1939.

M.W. Rt. Hon. The Earl of Harewood, K.G., G.C.V.O., D.S.O., Pro Grand Master on the Throne.

At this time Grand Lodge Officers were duly invested.

The Quarterly Communication was held on June 7th, 1940, when the following Amendment in the Book of Constitution was carried unanimously.

"QUASI-MASONIC AND IMITATIVE FREEMASONRY

"That Rule 204 of the Book of Constitutions be deleted and the following rule be substituted therefor:

"204—A person who has in any way been connected with any organization which is quasi-Masonic, imitative of Masonry, or regarded by the Grand Lodge as irregular or as incompatible with the craft, may not be initiated into the craft except by leave of the Grand Master, or the Provincial or District Grand Master, as the case may be.

"A Brother who subsequent to his initiation has in any way been or is connected with any such organization as above

mentioned shall be bound to disclaim and finally to sever such connection, and on failure so to do when called upon to do so by any proper Masonic authority, shall be liable to suspension or expulsion, and shall not thereafter be entitled to a resumption of his Masonic privileges or to relief from the Board of Benevolence until he shall have petitioned the Grand Master, made due submission, and obtained grace."

"This matter has engaged the attention of Grand Lodge on several previous occasions, and I think that Grand Lodge is fully aware of the type of organization which is here referred to. It is hardly necessary for me to say again that we do not make any reference here to those Friendly Societies which are registered and work under the Friendly Societies Act, such as the Odd Fellows or the Druids. There is no objection to them. We are dealing with other Societies which may not unfairly be described as Quasi-Masonic, which are certainly imitative of Masonry in their organization, if not in their ritual, and are regarded by Grand Lodge as incompatible with the craft. It is against those that we have set our faces, and this Motion, if passed, will make into a regulation what has previously been only a caution issued by the Board of General Purposes and passed by Grand Lodge."

An especial Grand Lodge was held at Olympia, London, on July 19th, 1939, when His Majesty the King was in attendance for the purpose of the Installation of M.W. Bro. H.R.H. The Duke of Kent, K.G., as Grand Master.

"The ceremony was attended by over twelve thousand Brethren including many of our Provincial and District Grand Masters and Distinguished guests from Ireland, Scotland, the United States of America, the Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, Denmark, Norway, France (Grande Lodge Nationale), Jugoslavia, Finland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Central and South America and the West Indies.

"The importance and dignity of the occasion was greatly enhanced by the presence of Most Worshipful Brother His Majesty the King, Past Grand Master, who was graciously pleased to perform the ceremony of Installation in person.

"Many letters of congratulation have been received from Brethren of our own Jurisdiction, from Ireland and Scotland and from members of other recognized Grand Lodges, from whom a number of Presentations and Addresses have also been received. Among the presentations are a beautiful silver and agate inkstand from the Netherlands, for the use of the Grand Master, a silver

gilt tankard from Sweden, an interesting clock from Switzerland, and a set of Jewels from Jugoslavia, and among the addresses are an illuminated volume from the Grand Lodge of Denmark, signed by H.M. King Christian X, Grand Master; gold engraved scrolls from the Grand Lodges of Kentucky and the District of Columbia; and illuminated addresses from the Grand Lodges of Norway, Greece, California, Ohio, Rhode Island and Missouri. These are on view in the Grand Lodge Museum, and it is hoped that many Brethren will take an opportunity of seeing them, and of sharing in the gratitude which has already been expressed by Grand Lodge."

Quarterly Communication was held at London on December 6th, 1939. The following items are culled from this report as we consider that they may be of interest to our readers.

"REGULATIONS FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF LODGES DURING THE WAR

"The Master of a Lodge is empowered to cancel any regular meeting even if it has already been summoned, if circumstances appear to him to warrant it.

"The Master may alter the date of a regular meeting to one not more than seven days before or after the regular day without a dispensation, but must advise the Provincial Grand Secretary accordingly. When a meeting is so altered the interval between Degrees may be reduced to not less than twenty-one days.

"A Lodge may resolve, after notice on the summons, to meet temporarily on dates other than those named in the By-Laws and to alter subscriptions paid by members, without the formality of altering the By-Laws. Such alterations must be communicated to the Grand Secretary and Provincial Grand Secretary.

"Lodges must pay particular attention to the introduction of Candidates for initiation, and must be satisfied in the cases of Candidates in the Services, that they would be acceptable in times of peace. Enquiries must, in such cases be made in accordance with the regulations regarding Candidates not having a residence or principal place of business in the neighborhood.

"Where Candidates who are in the Services are initiated under the old rule 185 B. of C. subject to a dispensation being granted, Lodges may pass and/or raise such Candidates at a period

of not less than fourteen days from the conferment of the previous Degree.

"Where a regular meeting has not been held, any business required to be transacted at that meeting, such as the election or installation of Master, shall be undertaken at the next practicable regular meeting, without any disability arising from such postponement, but the facts shall be stated on the annual returns to Grand Lodge and Provincial Grand Lodge."

ENGLAND, 1940—

At the Quarterly Communication held on March 6th, 1940. M.W. Bro. H.R.H. The Duke of Kent, K.G., was re-elected Grand Master.

A resolution was carried with regard to the following:

BRETHREN OF ENEMY NATIONALITY

The Board has again given earnest consideration to the Resolution dealing with Brethren of Enemy Nationality or Birth which was submitted to the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge in December and referred back.

That Resolution provided that:

(a) That, in order that the peace and harmony of the craft be not disturbed:

(i) Brethren of Enemy Nationality shall, during the continuance of the War and until Grand Lodge shall otherwise determine, abstain from attending any meeting of Grand Lodge, or of a private Lodge, or any other Masonic meeting.
(ii) Any other Brother of Enemy Birth may be requested by the Master of his Lodge to abstain from attending the Lodge if he is of opinion that the presence of such Brother would create discord, in which case such Brother shall so abstain from attendance.

(b) That in respect of the period of such abstention such Brethren are absolved from the payment of subscriptions to

the private Lodges to which they belong, and also the contributions to the Grand Lodge and Provincial or District Grand Lodges payable in respect of such subscriptions.

(c) That no part of the period of such abstention shall be reckoned as arrears for the purpose of cessation of membership in accordance with Rule 175.

The Board has now decided to submit to Grand Lodge a resolution which omits any reference to Brethren of enemy birth as distinguished from enemy Nationals, leaving the question of such Brethren to be dealt with hereafter if circumstances render this necessary.

Ever since the outbreak of War, the Board has been impressed with the necessity for a general direction to be given by Grand Lodge to the craft on this subject, especially as enquiries were being received from certain Districts overseas where difficulties had already arisen.

Loyalty to the Sovereign of his native land is a leading characteristic of a good Freemason, and no shadow of justification must be given for a charge, either in this country or abroad, that there are Masonic ideals which in any way compete with this allegiance. The high reputation of the craft in England and elsewhere is based on, and bound up with, the maintenance of this principle, which, in the opinion of the Board, is the only position tenable for English Freemasonry.

The Board with a full sense of its responsibility unanimously commends this resolution to Grand Lodge, being profoundly convinced that only by its adoption will the integrity and reputation of the craft be maintained and the future of English Freemasonry preserved.

SUBSCRIPTIONS OF BRETHREN IN HIS MAJESTY'S FORCES

A misunderstanding appears to exist with regard to the payment of subscriptions by Brethren serving with His Majesty's Forces. It is noticed that a number of Lodges are considering the passing of a resolution exempting the whole of such Brethren during the period of the War.

The emergency orders give power to reduce the subscriptions to a nominal amount in favor of such Brethren, but it is only where financial embarrassment arises by reason of such service that the individual Brother may be relieved of that liability. There is no power generally to absolve all Brethren who are serving.

ROLL OF BRETHREN SERVING IN HIS MAJESTY'S FORCES

Lodges are requested to keep an accurate record of those of their members who are serving with His Majesty's Forces, in case it is desired, at a later date, to compile a Roll of such Brethren.

GRAND LODGE REGISTER, 1930-1939

Returns are presented herewith, in accordance with custom, showing the number of Lodges on the Register of Grand Lodge and of Certificates issued, during the past ten years.

LODGES ON GRAND LODGE REGISTER

	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939
London ...	1102	1126	1146	1164	1184	1204	1221	1241	1258	1281
Provincial .	2739	2789	2836	2863	2910	2955	2990	3021	3067	3109
District and Abroad	706	707	714	715	721	731	732	735	735	739
	4547	4622	4696	4742	4815	4890	4943	4997	5060	5129

FLORIDA, 1939—

The One Hundred and Tenth Annual Communication was held in the City of Jacksonville, on April 18th, 1939.

All Grand Officers and eight Past Grand Masters were present.

Manitoba's representative was not present at this time.

The Grand Master reports a gain in membership, the first since 1927, and has visited every District in his Jurisdiction.

Under "Masonic Home", Grand Master Fish refers to the booklet issued calling attention to the wonderful work being carried on at the Home.

The Grand Master strongly objects to Clubs using the word "Masonic" and has promulgated an edict reading in part as follows:

"All clubs or societies organized subsequent to 1910 meeting and functioning in this Grand Jurisdiction as Masons—using the neme Masonic, or any name indicating, implying or suggesting Masonic connection or affiliation, are hereby interdicted and ordered to cease meeting.—"

Membership 19,852; Lodges 223.

No reviews.

GEORGIA, 1939—

The One Hundred and Fifty-third Annual Communication was held in Macon on October 31st, 1939.

M.W. Bro. Wm. M. Sapp, Grand Master. Bro. John A. Bishop, of Atlanta, was present for Manitoba.

The Grand Master delivered an inspirational address covering the many duties of his office showing splendid leadership to the Craft in his Jurisdiction, having made many visitations to various bodies, laid a number of cornerstones and made many speeches during his term of office.

The report of the Trustees of the Masonic Home shows splendid work being carried on in Georgia, one Lodge having given at least $5,000.00 in most useful things to the Home in recent years. The total daily average responsibility for the year has been 165. Of this number there has been a daily average of 91 children cared for in the Home and a daily average of 74 persons cared for outside the Home.

Every Lodge is asked to pass the Penny Box at each meeting and help make it possible for these young people to have a real chance in life.

M.W. Bro. Raymund Daniel presents the reviews of Sister Grand Jurisdictions in which Manitoba is reported.

IDAHO, 1939—

M.W. Bro. Clyde I. Rush, Grand Master, opened the Seventy-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho in Ample form at Twin Falls on September 12th, 1939. All Grand Lodge Officers were in their respective stations and fifteen Past Grand Masters were in attendance. Among the Grand Representatives we failed to find the name of the Representative for Manitoba.

The Grand Master reports that Idaho has assumed fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Denmark and Norway and hopes that in the near future they shall be linked with the Grand Lodge of Sweden. Eleven District Meetings were held, which were attended by the Grand Master. Also a number of lodges were visited during his term of office.

The Grand Secretary reports the membership to be 8,862 and 81 lodges.

W. Bro. Marcus J. Ware, Grand Orator, addressed the Grand Lodge, delivering a thoughtful address on some of the fundamental ideas of Freemasonry, his subject being "Freemasonry and the World of Tomorrow."

A very brief report by R.W. Bro. Percy Jones, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was submitted. The report does not attempt to deal with the Proceedings in each of the Grand Lodges separately, but is content with expressing a few general observations which were interesting to read.

ILLINOIS, 1939—

The One Hundredth Annual Communication was held in the City of Chicago on October 10th, 1939, and was opened in Ample form by Bro. Evrett L. Lawrence, Grand Master.

The Grand Master reports Masonry in Illinois to be in a healthy condition. The following is culled from his report and may interest some of our readers:

Recommendations: I have been reliably informed that some of the organizations generally accepted as Higher Bodies of Masonry are retaining many members on their roster who have been suspended by the Lodge, even though the By-Laws of these organizations provide for suspension when such action has been taken by the Lodge. I have talked to some of the Grand Officers of these bodies and one reason they present for continuing this practice is that the organizations have no way of ascertaining when their members have been suspended by the Lodge. In order that we may co-operate with them in the interest of Masonry, I recommend that legislation be passed requiring the Grand Secretary to supply the information as to whether or not a member is in good standing when the inquiry under seal comes from Secretary or Recorder of any of these bodies in which membership is predicated upon Masonic standing."

Manitoba's representative, Bro. G. Haven Stephens answered the roll call of Grand Representatives.

There are 994 Lodges reported with a membership of 197,623.

M.W. Bro. Elmer E. Beach, P.G.M., again presents the Review of Proceedings, Manitoba evidently did not reach the reviewer in time, as it is not included.

IOWA, 1939—

The Ninety-sixth Annual Communication was held on June 13th, 1939 in Sioux City and presided over by M.W. Bro. Realff Ottesen, Grand Master. The Grand Master's

address was an able and scholarly account of his many duties performed during his year of office.

"SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVES

"For some time this Grand Lodge has had Code provision for a group known as 'Special Representatives of the Grand Master' whose duties were loosely defined as 'to visit, instruct and inspect the several Lodges'. The provisions for their appointment are rather complicated. It had been the custom for several years to appoint quite a number of Special Representatives, arm them with a rather formidable questionnaire, and send them out to hold a day School of Instruction and fill out the questionnaire.

"A Special Representative should be what the name implies. He should be the contact man between the constituent Lodges and the Grand Lodge on matters of general Lodge administration. As such he should be able to assist Lodges in their various problems and to acquaint them with what the Grand Lodge has to offer to aid them in their work. He should also, by reason of his contact with the Lodges, be able to bring the Grand Lodge some idea of what the men in the constituent Lodges are thinking about and what their real needs are. He should be a man of tact, a man of broad Masonic knowledge and information, and his contact with the Lodges should be one, not of inspection and criticism but of friendly helpfulness.

"THE BALANCE LODGE PROGRAMME

"In order to furnish to the Special Representative a guide by which to determine whether or not a Lodge was measuring up to its full possibilities, we adopted what was known as the 'Balanced Lodge Programme.' The nine points of efficiency were enumerated as follows:

"Proficient and effective ritualistic work.
"An inspiring educational programme.
"Ample opportunities for Fraternal Fellowship.
"Co-operation in Inter-Lodge activities.
"Active participation in Grand Lodge activities.
"Adequate provisions for Masonic Charity.
"A well organized system of Lodge administration.
"Careful handling of Lodge finances.
"A proper regard for the dignity of Masonry in the Community served.

"The adoption of this programme caused considerable comment in other Grand Jurisdictions, and Bro. Carl Claudy, of

the Masonic Service Association of the United States was pleased to issue a bulletin expanding upon and explaining it. This bulletin became the handbook for our Special Representatives, and through the courtesy of the Masonic Service Association of the United States we were privileged to place a copy in the hands of each and every one of them.

"This outline of what constitutes a sound Lodge Programme may well be made the basis for our future contact with the Lodges."

Three cornerstones were laid during the year.

"FREEMASONRY AND WORLD AFFAIRS

"One of the questions that has caused most debate among Masons and concerning which there seems to be the least agreement is, 'To what extent may Freemasonry take cognizance of current political, economic, and social problems?' There are those who say that Freemasonry must, under no circumstances, permit matters of this sort to be discussed within its Lodge rooms and that Freemasons must have nothing to do with these problems in their character as Freemasons. On the other hand, it must be perfectly obvious to all men, and especially to all Freemasons, that there are ideologies in the world today so thoroughly opposed to those sweet doctrines of brotherhood that Freemasonry has taught throughout all the ages that one or the other must fall. Freemasonry and these ideologies cannot exist in one and the same place, at one and the same time, because these ideologies require the destruction of those fundamental principles of civil, intellectual, and religious liberty that inhere in the doctrine of the brotherhood of man.

"By the very necessities of the case a mere affirmance of the fundamental principles of Freemasonry must be construed as an attack upon these ideologies. It is my firm conviction that no nation, no people, no church, no creed, no class, no political party can, by adopting and promulgating ideas contrary to the fundamental principles of Freemasonry, so make those principles a controversial matter as to require us to remain silent or be guilty of violating a landmark of the craft. We must continue to reaffirm the age-old principles even though such reaffirmation may run contrary to current religious, social, or political trends.

"It is, however, necessary that we always keep in mind the fact that Freemasonry deals with principles, not with measures; that Freemasonry has to do with ideals, not with men. Freemas-

onry opposes religious intolerance, but does not hate the intolerant; Freemasonry cannot countenance racial arrogance, but bears no animosity towards the racially arrogant; Freemasonry of necessity deplores class consciousness and class antagonism, but has nothing but kindly consideration for the class-conscious man.

"We should always remember that Freemasonry's principle of human brotherhood contemplates a brotherhood of all men, and we cannot restrict that brotherhood simply to those who believe as we do. Even those who oppose our principles, even those who seek to overthrow our institutions, are our Brethren, and we must treat and regard them as such.

" 'He drew a circle to keep me out,
Rebel, heretic, a thing to flout,
But love and I had the wit to win,
We drew a circle that took him in.'

"At the very outset of my year as Grand Master I nailed to the masthead of Iowa Masonry as our motto the words, 'Be not afraid.' Never during the year have we struck our colors or hauled down our standard. It remains as it must always be, the very essence of Masonic life and Masonic conduct. The principles of Freemasonry, the lessons of morality taught in Freemasonry, are known and recognized by all men. What we need, what the entire craft needs above all else, is the indomitable will to stand by those principles, no matter what the temptation may be to do otherwise or the harm that may befall us personally by reason of being true to them. If Freemasonry does not teach that fine courage, it is nothing. Such courage is the very essence of the Master's Degree, the lesson taught by Him Whom all Masons seek to emulate.

"May my last words to the craft as Grand Master be the same as my first words, words which I hope and pray may characterize the Masonic lives of all of us,

" 'BE NOT AFRAID.' "

The Librarian's Report makes interesting reading. This Library was instituted in 1844 when Theodore Sutton Parvin purchased the first handful of books with a capital outlay of $5.00, and today the report shows the last accession number given was 46,669 and can well believe that it should be a source of pride to every member in this Jurisdiction.

"It is said: 'The silent influence of books is a mighty power in the world; and there is a joy in reading them known only to those who read them with desire and enthusiasm. Silent, passive and noiseless though they be, they yet set in action countless multitudes and change the order of nations."

Bro. E. G. Williams delivered an inspiring address taking for his subject "Hewed Stones—Costly Stones."

"LEOPARD SKINS PRESENTED"

"As an expression of his appreciation of the many courtesies received from the Grand Lodge of Iowa, through the Iowa Masonic Library and the inspiration gained from the Grand Lodge Bulletin, Bro. H. Anthony Clements, Monrovia, Liberia, Africa, sent two leopard skins, one for the then Grand Master, Realff Ottensen, and the other for the Grand Secretary, C. C. Hunt. This unusual gift is greatly appreciated by the recipients."

The fraternal review is presented by M.W. Bro. Ernest R. Moore, P.G.M. and fraternally reviewed in Manitoba for 1938.

IRELAND, 1939—

The Grand Lodge of Ireland met on St. John's Day under the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Raymond Brooke, during the absence of the Grand Master, The Rt. Hon. The Earl of Donoughmore, K.P.

The Deputy Grand Master reported in his address that Lodge 697 Warrenpoint in the celebration of the One Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary of their warrant, and their way of commemorating this event was the very practical one of collecting £2 for every year that their warrant has been in existence and they gave £75 each to the Down Masonic Widows' Fund, the two Schools and the Jubilee Annuity Fund.

In the Province of South Connaught there are four Lodges, two are over 200 years old and the other two are nearly 100 years old.

The current fees and dues of members in active service out of Ireland will be remitted.

New warrants were issued during the year to one Lodge in Ireland and one in Cape Town.

JAMAICA, 1939—
(District Grand Lodge, E.C.)

The regular Half-yearly Communication was held on July 27th, 1939, Kingston, Jamaica, R.W. Bro. Hon. W.M. Fraser, District Grand Master, presiding.

The District Grand Treasurer reports 13 Lodges with a membership of 587.

KANSAS, 1940—

The Grand Lodge of Kansas held its Eighty-fourth Annual Communication on February 14th, 1940, in the City of Topeka. M.W. Bro. Claud F. Young, Grand Master, presiding.

M.W. Bro. Charley B. Erskine, P.G.M., represented Manitoba.

From the Grand Master's address we quote the following:

"The earth has completed another revolution around the central planet of the Solar system since last we assembled. Those

who number the heavenly bodies and note the orderly manner in which their various revolutions are demonstrated show the magnitude of the Divine Mind and Plan. What of man and his processes and revolutions in this period? Is the trend of men's lives toward the fundamental principles written on the face of the heavens, or are we in this favored nation separating ourselves into demand groups, forgetting balance and the greatest good to the greatest number? In these days of national danger and world terror, everybody's prayer should be for men with stout hearts and clear minds. In the 'Faith of our Fathers' we should go forward.

"Elbert Hubbard once said, 'If I can supply you a thought, you may remember it and you may not. But if I can make you think a thought for yourself, then I have, indeed, added to your stature.' We should as never before think seriously of the meaning of all that is going on around us. The map of the old world has been greatly changed and many fine peoples with centuries of frugal and industrious national life behind them have lost their heritage in art, literature, music, medicine and other vital sciences. Individual and family life has been greatly impaired; Incentive has been destroyed and talent buried that dictators might build men and machines for unholy war.

"This could happen here.

"We have moved definitely to the left and need more thinking about our duty and less of our rights; more of the good old-fashioned virtues of honesty and good faith that all may have a chance for happiness and satisfaction. Men and women alike seem to have been making pleasure and personal satisfaction their chief interest, while Christianity, brotherhood and fundamental institutions and principles are retained only as abstract ideals. It is, however, to the credit of our people that there is a definite awakening to right and righteousness.

"The all important concern of the hour is, can we correct our chart and resume the course so faithfully laid out by the founders of this practical and ideal union of the States? The answer is not difficult, but brotherhood must replace bickering, selfishness give way to service; employee and employer must appreciate the mutuality of their relations and be led into helpful cooperation; the public servant must return to faithfulness and we, the people, must think clearly and act sensibly.

"History with its records of the rise and fall of many nations of wealth and magnificence, with the populace always bearing the hardships, should help clarify our vision. We cannot enjoy the opportunities of this world renowned democracy, or pass its privi-

leges to posterity unless we are actuated by the principles of our Brothers, Washington and Jefferson

"The Church, the Home, the Public School and Freemasonry are the bulwarks of our civilization. Look well to your attitude and influence on these four vital institutions.

"The world today is looking for men who are not for sale; men who are honest, sound from centre to circumference, true to the heart's core; men with conscience as steady as the needle to the pole; men who will stand for the right if the heavens totter and the earth reels; men who can tell the truth and look the world right in the eye; men who neither brag nor run; men who neither flag nor flinch; men who can have courage without shouting it; men in whom the courage of everlasting life runs still, deep and strong; men who know their message and tell it; men who know their place and fill it; men who know their business and attend to it; men who will not lie, shirk or dodge; men who are not too lazy to work, nor too proud to be poor; men who are willing to eat what they have earned and wear what they have paid for; men who are not afraid to say 'no' with emphasis and who are not ashamed to say 'I can't afford it.' The rich and poor, the high and low, the good and bad acclaim the individual with definite convictions and the courage to courteously uphold them."

Five cornerstones were laid during the year.

This Jurisdiction is now providing a "Sunflower Silver Button" with the legend, " 25 years, Kansas, A.F. & A.M." There are 439 Lodges with a membership of 60,290, a net loss of 564.

Manitoba is briefly reviewed.

KENTUCKY, 1939—

The One Hundred and Thirty-ninth Annual Communication was convened by M.W. Bro. Charles P. Dulcy, Grand Master, on October 17th, 1939, in Louisville.

The Grand Master referred to the terrible flood in eastern Kentucky on July 4th and had a cheque for $100.00 sent to the order of the American Red Cross.

Seven cornerstones were laid also six Lodges were consolidated during the year.

Many and varied were the questions propounded to the Grand Master during the year and we quote one which is new to the reviewer:

"One of the so-called higher bodies of Masonry requested permission to have Masonic Aprons made with their emblem and the name of the Degree team worked thereon to be used in conferring the Master's Degree.

"ANSWER: There seems to have been no law enacted by the Grand Lodge governing this matter, nor has there ever been any ruling on the subject. It would be a deplorable condition if every or any group of Master Masons of higher or affiliated bodies were permitted for advertising or any other purpose, to decorate or adorn their Masonic Aprons with emblems or symbols of other bodies of higher degrees. I, therefore, rule that such use of the Apron as you suggest would be unmasonic."

The report of the "Doings of other Grand Lodges" is submitted by W. Bro. Allen C. Terhune, Past Master, in which he fraternally reviews Manitoba for 1939.

MAINE, 1939—

One Special Communication was held for the purpose of dedicating a Masonic Hall at Monmouth.

The One Hundred and Twentieth Annual Communication was held in the City of Portland on May 2nd, 1939.

All living Past Grand Masters, ten in number also 293 delegates representing 198 of the 206 Chartered Lodges,

including 58 Grand Representatives were there. Such an attendance betokens keen interest on the part of our Brethren of Maine.

We note with pleasure the presence of Manitoba's representative Bro. Porter A. Roberts.

The Grand Master has this to say on the "Condition of the Order".

"The enormous gains made during and immediately following the World War, resulted in a mushroom growth, caused by a rush of candidates, many of whom never became interested in the Order they had joined in the days of patriotic fervor. Consequently, we should not become hysterical over the losses, because it is quality rather than quantity that counts and undoubtedly after all the "dead wood" is eliminated, Freemasonry will become stronger and will continue in the future to be as potent a factor in world affairs as it has been in the past."

He also discusses the question of Honorary members as follows:

"The annual reports of the Secretaries of the several subordinate Lodges have been forwarded to me, and in checking them over, I found that many Lodges carry on their books a large number of Life, or Honorary members. I have in mind one Lodge with a total membership of two hundred and three, which carries on its books Honorary or Life members to the number of sixty-two, which is a little more than 30% of the total membership. That Lodge is paying out annually sixty-two dollars to the Grand Lodge, as dues on those members. Several Lodges have such members from 8% to 15%. In view of the economic conditions confronting us and in view of the loss in membership yearly, I admonish the officers and members of all Lodges to consider the matter carefully before creating Life, or Honorary members."

M.W. Bro. Ashley A. Smith, P.G.M., presents the Correspondence which includes Manitoba for 1938.

MARYLAND, 1939—

The Semi-Annual Communication of this Jurisdiction was held in Baltimore on May 16th, 1939.

Grand Master John H. Hessey in his address reports that in his travels throughout the state he finds an increasing interest in Masonry, and is looking forward to the future with increasing hope.

The W.M. Grand Master indicates many activities which the Brethren are interested in such as "Bonnie Blink" Masonic Home, and disbursements for the year amounting to $57,030.31, the Endowment Fund of the Home stands at $335,194.89.

An Emergent Communication was held on November 13th, 1939, to attend the funeral of the late Brother and Grand Secretary, Harry C. Mueller, P.G.M.

The Annual Communication was convened on November 21st, 1939. The Grand Master made many visits during the year including England and Europe. He also reports that over 2000 Masons assembled on November 11th for the Annual Corn Husking held at Bonnie Blink, no doubt the "Husking" was a success.

The Grand Lodge has now entered into fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru, but did not approve recognition with the Grand Lodge of Sweden.

No reviews.

MASSACHUSETTS, 1938—

Their four quarterly Communications were held on the following dates: March 9th; June 8th; September 14th; and December 14th, 1938.

Manitoba's representative being in attendance.

The usual amount of business was transacted, at each quarterly the Grand Master presenting his report.

His talk on "The Masonic Way of Living" is one of the best the reviewer has read for sometime and limited space prevents the printing of same, also his address at the Quarterly Communication on September 14th on the subject of "Lodge Officers" might be given serious consideration by the Past Masters of every Lodge.

"The Automatic Life Membership" is evidently causing some concern and it has been suggested that this form of Life Membership be eliminated.

W. Bro. J. Hugo Tatsch delivered an interesting address on "The Highlights of Freemasonry for 1938".

At the last Quarterly of their annual Communication, M.W. Bro. Joseph Earl Perry was re-elected as M.W. Grand Master.

The stated Communication, as usual, was held on St. John's Night, December 27th. All Grand Officers were installed. Many distinguished visitors were present.

No reviews.

MEXICO, 1939—
YORK GRAND LODGE—

The Seventy-ninth Annual Communication was convened by M.W. Bro. M. S. VonSon on April 6th, 1938, in the City of Mexico. Representatives of 12 of the 14 Lodges were present with seven Past Grand Masters.

Bro. R. B. E. Turnbull represented Manitoba.

The Grand Master in his address mentions that he has been studying the attendance of Grand Representatives of Sister Jurisdictions at their Annual Communications and

found that several representatives had not been in attendance for a number of years, and has made a number of new appointments to replace those that had been irregular in their attendance during the last five or six years.

The oil controversy in this Jurisdiction is affecting the membership, having caused a sudden exodus of members and a slight loss in numbers. There are 14 Lodges with 702 members.

A review of Proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions is included but Manitoba has evidently not reached the Committee in time for inclusion.

MICHIGAN, 1939—

The Ninety-fifth Annual Communication was held in the City of Detroit on May 23rd, 1939. Acting M.W. Grand Master Francis B. Lambie, presiding.

Twenty Past Grand Masters were present. Bro. Louis E. Anderson represented Manitoba. Five Hundred and eleven Lodges were represented by 491 delegates.

Three cornerstones were laid and three Lodges were dedicated during the year.

The Declaration of Principles as outlined in the Acting Grand Master's address have been adopted.

The Masonic Home Board report that there are 39 women, 87 men and 3 children resident in the Home, which is carrying on good work.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended extending recognition of the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands, the Committee also recommended negotiations

being opened with the Grand Lodge of Sweden and with the Grand Lodge of Norway, seeking mutual recognition and exchange of fraternal representatives.

No reviews.

MINNESOTA, 1940—

The Eighty-seventh Annual Communication was held in Saint Paul on January 17th, 1940. Grand Master Gunnar H. Nordbye opened the Grand Lodge in Ample form, prayer being offered by the Grand Chaplain.

Among the distinguished visitors were M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Grand Master; M. W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, P.G.M.; M.W. Bro. Col. Royal Burritt, P.G.M.; M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, P.G.M.; M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd, P.G.M. and R.W. Bro. Rev. George R. Calvert, Senior Grand Warden, all of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The Grand Master delivered an inspiring address which covered all phases of his work throughout the year.

A contribution of $200.00 was made to the brethren in Chile who had been made homeless by reason of the disastrous earthquake.

Two Lodges were consolidated and three cornerstones were laid during the year.

The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodge of Manitoba at Winnipeg and addressed the Luncheon Meeting, during the Annual Communication.

The Grand Orator, W. Bro. Harold E. Stasson, delivered a brief oration taking for his subject "The Working Tools of a Citizen of a Democracy".

There are 302 Lodges with a membership of 47,956, a net loss of 713.

Bro. E. A. Montgomery presented the report on Fraternal Correspondence. Excellent reviews were reported including Manitoba for 1939.

MISSISSIPPI, 1939—

The One Hundred and Twenty-first Annual Communication convened at Jackson on February 14th, 1939.

A dispensation to form a new Lodge was granted. One Charter was granted to a new Lodge and the Charters of four Lodges were arrested during the year.

Two cornerstones were laid.

We note from the Auditors' report that there is now $158,568.42 in the Endowment Fund for the Masonic Home.

There was a net gain in membership of 43.

From the report of the Managers of the Masonic Homes, we learn that there are 76 girls and 41 boys enrolled at the present time.

The fraternal reviews are submitted by W. Bro. Charles H. McCrane, Jr. Manitoba being fraternally reviewed.

MISSOURI, 1939—

The One Hundred and Nineteenth Annual Communication was convened at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, St. Louis on September 26th, 1939. M.W. Bro. Henry C. Chiles, Grand Master, presiding.

The Grand Master reports issuing a number of Dispensations for various reasons among those being four, for the dedication of Masonic Halls. During the year, the Grand Lodge laid the cornerstone of 28 buildings, the Grand Master officiating on 20 of these occasions.

The Grand Secretary reports 628 Lodges with a membership of 87,678, net loss, 1,566. R.W. Bro. Dr. Franc I. McCluer, president of Westminster College, delivered a very fine oration, his subject being "Freemasonry in a Democracy".

M.W. Bro. Ray V. Denslow, P.G.M., presents the reviews of other Jurisdictions in topical form, Manitoba for 1939 being included.

MONTANA, 1939—

The Seventy-fifth Annual Communication was opened in Ample form by M.W. Bro. Oscar A. Johnson, Grand Master, on August 16th, 1939, in Great Falls.

The Grand Master reports that the Lodges donated the aggregate sum of $440.59 towards the fund to assist Chilean Masons who had been stricken by earthquakes.

"OUTDOOR MEETING

"North Star No. 46, at Glasgow wrote May 28th, 1939, asking for permission to hold an open air or outdoor meeting in the pines along the Missouri River, at some point near Glasgow.

"Although not entirely sold on the open air meeting idea, in view of the precedents established by my predecessors on requests from this Lodge, I granted the permission admonishing the Brethren to provide strictly against the approach of cowans and eavesdroppers."

Many Lodges were visited also a number of visits outside of his Jurisdiction, R.W. Bro. George S. Sloan, Grand Chaplain delivered a very fine address, which no doubt was enjoyed by those present.

Manitoba was represented by Bro. W. J. Johnston. M.W. Bro. Claude J. McAllister, P.G.M., submits the Correspondence report. Manitoba being fraternally reviewed.

NEBRASKA, 1939—

The Eighty-second Annual Communication was held in Omaha on June 6th, 1939, M.W. Bro. Walter R. Raecke, Grand Master, presiding.

Eighteen Past Grand Masters were present.

"GENERAL JOHN J. PERSHING

"An event of more than ordinary interest to Nebraska Masons occurred on January 5th, 1939, at Tucson, Arizona, when M.W. Bro. Henry H. Wilson, Past Grand Master, presented a Fifty-year Badge to our distinguished Brother John J. Pershing. This noted citizen and soldier was raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason in Lincoln Lodge No. 19, A.F. & A.M., on December 22nd, 1888, while M.W. Bro. Wilson was serving as Master of that Lodge. Being familiar with the part played in the history of our nation by military leaders who were members of the Masonic fraternity, we can and do feel justifiable pride in recording General Pershing as a Fifty-year member of our ancient and honorable Order."

The Committee on Credentials reported 262 of the 292 Lodges were represented. From the Abstract of Returns, we find there is a membership of 31,736 and a loss of 1839.

M.W. Bro. Edwin D. Crites, Past Grand Master, presents the reviews, which are of an interesting nature.

NEVADA, 1939—

The Seventy-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nevada was convened in the City of Sparks, Nevada and called to order by M.W. Bro. Elwood H. Beemer, Grand Master, on June 8th, 1939. The roll call showed all Lodges represented except two and, that there were 18 Past Grand Masters present.

The Grand Master gave a very detailed report on his year's work and showed that he was extremely busy and made many visitations giving addresses on Masonic topics on such occasions. He pointed out that the Craft was gradually forging ahead and that all lodges were in good shape.

It was noted that on the reception of Grand Representatives that Manitoba did not answer the roll call.

Grand Orator Bro. Lem S. Allen gave a very stirring address entitled "Masonry and American Youth", and in closing he says:

"Brethren, I believe the youth problem is the leadership problem, the problem of maturity—the problem is not theirs, it is ours until we, who proudly count among our number the leaders of America, have discharged our duties of leadership to American youth, in a manner consistent with our Masonic ideals and the esteem in which our Order is publicly held, we have not fulfilled our responsibility to our country, our Order, or ourselves."

In the forward of the Proceedings, it was noted that there were Special Grand Communications held in:

Ely, Nevada, August 27th, 1938, for the purpose of dedicating Point Lebanon for Masonic Purposes.

Sparks, Nevada, October 15th, 1938, for the purpose of laying cornerstone of New Public School Building.

Carson City, Nevada, March 1st, 1939 for the purpose of

conducting the burial of departed Bro. B. W. Coleman, Past Grand Master.

Carson City, Nevada, April 23rd, 1939, for the purpose of conducting the burial of departed Bro. E. E. Murphy, Deputy Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. C. A. Carlson, was elected Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. E. C. Peterson as Grand Secretary.

In the review of Sister Jurisdictions, Manitoba Proceedings were reviewed.

The Grand Communication for 1940 will be held in Virginia City.—E.I.D.

NEW BRUNSWICK, 1939—

The Seventy-second Annual Communication was held in Saint John, on August 24th, 1939. M.W. Bro. John Thornton, Grand Master, presiding.

Manitoba's representative was not present at this time.

The Grand Master reports that harmony and fraternity prevail throughout his Jurisdiction. He also suggests that Lodges who still base their meeting nights on a phase of the moon, which is outmoded long ago, should give serious consideration to this change. Also the appointment of a Committee to make arrangements for the celebrating of their 75th Birthday in 1942.

There are 44 Lodges with a membership of 5198.

Expenditures from the Benevolent Fund amounted to $7,178.88, while the assets total $75,153.88.

No reviews.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1939—

The Semi-annual Communication was held on November 15th, 1938, in Manchester.

M.W. Bro. Alexander MacIntosh, Grand Master, presiding. At this time, the several degrees were exemplified.

The One Hundred and Fiftieth Annual Communication was convened in the City of Concord on May 17th, 1939. Ten Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Master delivered a thoughtful and efficient address covering his many duties.

Several lodges of instruction were held and indicated a healthy condition and a deeper interest among the Craft.

He also recommends that petitioners be given some "Primary Education in Freemasonry," when application is being made.

The report of Correspondence is presented by M.W. Bro. J. Melvin Dresser, P.G.M., Manitoba being fraternally reviewed.

NEW JERSEY, 1939—

The One Hundred and Fifty-second Annual Communication was held in the City of Trenton, on April 19th, 1939, Nineteen Past Grand Masters were present.

R.W. Bro. James F. Russell was in attendance representing Manitoba.

The Grand Master, Arthur M. Dietrich was particularly active in visiting, attending 31 District Meetings, and many meetings in his own and other Jurisdictions.

At the meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association he presented a check for $1,250, New Jersey's contribution for the current year.

The Grand Lodge is carrying on a fine work in the field of Charity with its Burlington Masonic Home and a Charity Foundation. Two hundred and fifteen persons are being cared for in the Home at a per capita cost of $1.49 per day.

The Jurisdiction is still faced with problems incident to a too ambitious erection of Masonic Temples in the prosperous years which are difficult to carry in these days of reduced membership and income, but progress is being made.

The address, "Twenty Years After" made by Bro. Joseph F. Newton before the Masonic Service Association in February, 1939 is reprinted in full. Like all utterances of that distinguished and gifted Craftsman, it furnishes most inspiring reading.

R.W. Bro. D. McGregor presents the usual fine review in which is included Manitoba for 1939.

NEW MEXICO, 1939—

The Sixty-second Annual Communication was held at Gallup on October 16th, 1939. M.W. Bro. Wm. M. Bickel, Grand Master, presiding. Nine Grand Masters were in attendance.

The Grand Master reports having visited every lodge in his Jurisdiction. He believes in visiting other Jurisdictions because it serves to strengthen the bonds of fraternity in a most pleasing manner.

He also had something to say on "Blanket Bonds for Secretaries and Treasurers," as follows:

"As I view this situation, it would be good business practice for this Grand Lodge to Bond not only its Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary as is done at the present time, but also to bond the Treasurers and Secretaries of the Constituent Lodges by a blanket bond such as will cover any contingencies as have been heretofore mentioned. This matter is one which should receive consideration by this Grand Lodge."

On the "Masonic Home Fund" we quote the Grand Master's address:

"It appeals to me that the name "Masonic Home Fund" is a misnomer as it leads the uninformed and those of Sister Grand Jurisdictions to believe that there is a Masonic Home in New Mexico. From the experiences that we have had in the past and from the disasters which other Grand Jurisdictions have had in maintaining their Homes, I am of the opinion that it would be unwise for New Mexico to ever have a Masonic Home.

"When our destitute Brethren come to the place where they need assistance, it seems to me that this assistance might better be granted as it is at the present time, where in the sanctity of a man's home he can live out the remaining years allotted to him surrounded by his family and friends of many years; and it is therefore suggested that we correct the impression that New Mexico does have a Masonic Home by changing the name of the 'Masonic Home Fund' so that it shall hereafter be known and designated as Masonic Relief Fund."

He also draws attention to the "Small Lodge" and the interest displayed by them. He thinks that the members of these lodges should feel free to call upon the officers and members of the Grand Lodge at any time they feel that a visit would materially assist them.

From the Annual Returns we find there are 55 lodges with a membership of 6004, a net gain of 105.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by the M.W. Bro. John Milne, but has not included Manitoba.

NEW SOUTH WALES, 1939—

A Special Communication of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales was held on July 15th, 1938, for the investiture of Grand Lodge Officers from the Senior Grand Warden downward. This Communication was held in Sydney.

The Grand Master being in England at the time.

At the Quarterly Communication held on September 14th, 1938, the M.W. Pro-Grand Master, Col. F. A. Maguire, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., in his address reports 18 Dispensations were granted for Initiation of a Lewis.

A Special Communication was held on October 5th, 1938, for the Commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the formation of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales and for the Proclamation of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. His Excellency Lord Gowrie, V.C., P.D., G.C.M.C., C.B., D.S.O., who had been re-elected as Grand Master for another term.

M.W. Bro. Col. F. A. Maguire delivered an address on the History of the formation of the Grand Lodge.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by W. Bro. A. J. Kahlund, the report is devoted mainly to topics of current interest.

NEW YORK, 1939—

The One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Annual Communication was held in New York City on May 2nd, 1939. M.W. Bro. Dana B. Hellings, Grand Master, presiding.

The Grand Master's address was brief and businesslike yet goes straight to the point in each subject dealt with and without waste of words.

Relief to the extent of $2,500.00 was sent to the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina for the relief of Masonic Brethren and their families in Switzerland.

A special committee on Masonic refugees has been set up for the purpose of assisting Masonic refugees arriving in the country.

The Grand Secretary reports 1037 lodges with a membership of 255,461.

An interesting report was submitted with reference to the visitations by Grand Lodge through a committee to the lodges chartered by it and resident of Syria and Lebanon. There are 8 lodges with 395 members.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. S. Nelson Sawyer, Manitoba for 1938 being fraternally reviewed.

NEW ZEALAND, 1939—

The Fiftieth Annual Communication was held in Auckland on November 29th, 1939. M.W. Bro. Viscount Galway, Grand Master, presided.

The Board of General Purposes submits a lengthy report and the following is quoted:

"The Board strongly urges Lodges to continue working in the ordinary way as far as practicable and to remit the dues of those of their members who go on active service, for the period of their absence, and now recommends to Grand Lodge that the Grand Lodge dues of these Brethren be also remitted. If the suggestion meets with the approval of Grand Lodge, it will not become effective until 1940, as the Lodge subscriptions of all members have been, or should have been paid for the current half-year.

"The Board also recommends that a miniature certificate be issued to all members who go on active service. In exchange for

this certificate, the Brother to whom it is issued will be required to temporarily hand to the Secretary of his Lodge for safe keeping, his Grand Lodge Certificate."

The Jubilee of this Grand Lodge will be celebrated in April, 1940, and a sub-committee has been set by the Board to attend to all necessary details.

Two new lodges were consecrated during the year.

The Grand Master delivered a brief address and we quote his closing remarks:

"It may be only a dream to visualize a practical world-wide drawing together of Grand Lodges, but once the idea has been released, the idea itself will find a way of expressing itself in action. Even now we are in friendly touch with all the recognized Grand Lodges of the world, and, as a restricted outlook gradually gives place to a wider view, so do we get nearer the goal of a complete Masonic unity.

"The present outlook in the outside world is difficult to parallel in its history. Solemn treaties are dishonored, small nations are overrun and an insane lust for power, cruelty and oppression are rampant. Against these horrors the saner peoples of the world endeavor to stem the tide of evil now threatening its freedom. Can this barrier stand the strain now imposed upon it, and what is the answer?

Brethren, by way of hope and encouragement as to the ultimate outcome, I would remind you that early in your Masonic Career you were asked a very pertinent question. You will remember your answer to it. I now ask you to renew the trust you then expressed, and in every case of danger or of difficulty act as good men and true Freemasons in mitigating suffering and injustice wherever it exists."

No reviews.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1939—

The One Hundred and Fifty-second Annual Communication was held in Greensboro on April 18th, 1939, and was

opened in Ample form by Grand Master Harry T. Paterson. With regret we notice the absence of Manitoba's Grand Representative.

Fifteen Past Grand Masters were present, so also were the Representatives of 193 Constituent Lodges.

The Grand Master delivered a fine address reporting his official activities, which showed his interest in Masonry by the large number of visitations he made during the year, covering 39 of the 40 Masonic Districts.

From his "Dispensations" we extract the following:

"Requests were received from Kedron Lodge No. 387 of Hendersonville to hold a special Communication in a quarry, and from Unaka Lodge No. 506 of Unaka, to hold a special Communiction at Hiawassee Dam. Both of these requests were granted, as the sites of the meetings lay within the territorial Jurisdiction of the respective Lodges. Reports since received indicate that both meetings contributed to an increased interest in Masonry in their respective localities."

A Masonic and Eastern Star Home is also maintained and they might well be proud of their idea of Benevolence.

The Grand Master has proposed a resolution with regard to gambling and the Board of General Purposes feels that it needs more and sharper teeth.

He also reports on the state of the Craft that all is well, but there is a slight decrease in numbers.

The Grand Secretary reports 335 lodges with a membership of 26,721.

Grand Orator, Hon. W.A. Devin, Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina made an oration, which is quite interesting and highly instructive. The Directors of the Oxford Orphanage report having cared for a total of 351 children during 1939.

The review of Foreign Correspondence is made by Bro. J. Edward Allen, and his "Reviewers Greetings" are instructive and are in keeping with his facile pen's production in the past. Manitoba's report does not appear in the report.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1939—

The Fiftieth Annual Communication and the special observance of their Golden Jubilee was convened at Grand Forks on June 19th, 1939. M.W. Bro. Robert E. Trousdale, Grand Master, presiding.

Among the distinguished visitors in attendance were M.W. Bro. Wm. D. Lawrence, Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Rev. George R. Calvert, Senior Grand Warden, and John H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary. Also Past Grand Masters Wm. Douglas, Harry Woods and John T. Boyd. There is also a splendid picture of these stalwarts from Manitoba.

The Grand Master's address is brief yet covers the many duties requiring his attention during the year:

"PRE-JUBILEE INSPIRATIONAL RALLIES

"District Meetings were dispensed with for this year and a series of Rallies were held throughout the State. In the words of Bro. Hutcheson, I quote: 'These are not old fashioned District Meetings as we have known them, but meetings calculated to get the craft to face the world problems and to get the District Deputies to measure up to their obligations as Leaders of a group of men whose influence will more and more be called upon to cope with the difficulties made manifest by opposing forces in the world at large, and especially in our own United States,' unquote.

"Districts were invited to attend Rallies in Stanley, Minot, Grafton, Rolla, Larimore, Bismarck, New England, New Rockford, Jamestown, Forman, Devils Lake and Buffalo.

"Every Grand Lodge Officer took part in one or more of these Rallies as well as many others. The subject discussed was

'Masonry's Responsibility for the Maintenance of Democracy in American Institutions.' "

From his closing remarks we cull the following:

"We are banded together to teach, to inspire, to stimulate. We teach a great system of morals, we seek to inspire lofty ideals, we stimulate noble and altruistic action."

No better epitome of the function of our Order has ever been penned than these two short sentences.

In reading the special account of the Golden Jubilee Communication, of this Grand Jurisdiction, it is interesting to note that M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, P.G.M., of Manitoba, presented a beautifully bound typewritten book containing the story of Pembina Lodge 1863-64 which later was transferred to Fort Garry, now Winnipeg, with the request that it be made a part of the Stockwell collection in the Grand Lodge Library. We are glad to reproduce here the frontispiece and the Foreword.

GOLDEN JUBILEE

1889 — 1939

In commemoration of the Golden Jubilee of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota and in token of our friendship for the brethren of North Dakota, we fraternally submit this our tribute of appreciation.

W. D. LAWRENCE
Grand Master

THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA

WM. DOUGLAS
Past Grand Master

JOHN T. BOYD
Past Grand Master

HARRY WOODS
Past Grand Master

GEORGE R. CALVERT
Senior Grand Warden

J. H. G. RUSSELL
Grand Secretary

Winnipeg, Province of Manitoba, Canada, Twentieth Day of June, Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-nine

(The above signatures were actual in the book)

FOREWORD

The story of the men who brought Freemasonry across the plains of the North West and instituted the pioneer Masonic Lodge at Pembina, Dakotah Territory has never been fully told. True, we have heard scattered titbits of their efforts, but there has never, to my knowledge, been any attempt made to gather up the fragments into a connected narrative.

This certainly cannot be construed as the filling in of the blank page which the passage of time makes a difficult task, but it brings into the compass of a brief article some facts of a memorable journey and also of those men whom we as Freemasons are particularly interested.

The data has been gathered together somewhat hurriedly and prepared for the Jubilee celebration of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, which is being held in the month of June, 1939.

My hope is that some brother will elaborate this summary and search out the complete records of those pioneers whose story at the moment is very brief because of the want of information.

WILLIAM DOUGLAS.

Winnipeg, June, 1939.

A Historical Play was also presented in which the second and third episodes were written by M.W. Bro. Douglas.

In the Correspondence reviews, M.W. Bro. Walter H. Murfin, P.G.M., briefly reviews Manitoba.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1939—

The Seventy-fourth Annual Communication was held at Halifax on June 14th, 1939, and was presided over by M.W. Bro. Norman T. Avard, Grand Master. After the

opening ceremonies, Grand Lodge was adjourned until the 16th, that being the day their Most Gracious Majesties were in the Maritime Provinces and would reach Nova Scotia sometime during the day. Grand Lodge resumed labor, June 16th. There were six Past Grand Masters in attendance but the representative for Manitoba was not present.

This was Grand Master Avard's third year in office, and he gave a full report of his activities and visitations. He was the only Grand Master from Canada attending the Grand Maters' conference in Washington, D.C., in February, where he gave an address on "Discipline for Unmasonic Conduct."

In part he says:

"Masonry moves with Loyalty. It upholds tradition of right living and liberal education. It strives to perpetuate freedom—freedom of speech, and rights of men to assemble together undisturbed and unhampered. With this conception clearly before us, let us assert these rights with courage and avert disaster.

"Masonry is always considered to represent the royalty of character in our respective communities. Let us each one accept and acknowledge this responsibility and see that no tarnish mars the brightness of our Masonic Armour. Let us enhance the position of the Masonic Order and carry the beacon of truth to the young men of the future. The responsibility is definite—the opportunity is great—let us march on."

The Grand Master granted fifteen Dispensations and gave many decisions. There are 84 lodges, with a membership of 8,492.

A very full report is given by the Committee under M.W. Bro. R. V. Harris, on the Bicentenary Celebration opening in Halifax on July 10th. Thirty Grand Lodges were represented by sixty-seven Grand Lodge Officers including thirty-nine Grand Masters. These latter were presented with the Erasmus James Phillipps Bronze Medallion. Every Jurisdiction in Great Britain, Canada and Newfoundland, as well as some Jurisdictions in the United States were repre-

sented. This memorable meeting was conducted with precision, dignity and beauty, worthy of the best tradition of the Craft.

There were no reviews of other Grand Jurisdictions. —E.I.D.

OREGON, 1939—

The Eighty-ninth Annual Communication was held at Portland on June 14th, 1939. Grand Master Howell reported a busy year and has to be congratulated on his thorough and comprehensive presentation of things of importance to the Craft, and time spent in the discharge of the duties of his high office.

From "Dispensations" granted we quote the following:

"July 28th, 1938, to Medford Lodge No. 103, to convene in Special Communication at 7:00 o'clock p.m., Saturday, August the 13th, under the Blue Canopy of Heaven at Crater Lake, Oregon for the purpose of conferring Degrees."

The laying of one cornerstone was performed during the year.

He speaks strongly on "Delinquent Dues and Remittances" and urges Masters and Wardens to take positive action to clear their rolls and direct their efforts to new material.

W. Bro. Charles F. Walker, Grand Orator delivered an intensely interesting oration.

Bro. Wilmot K. Royal represented Manitoba at this time.

The Report on correspondence is presented by P.G.M. Otto C. Hagmeier and makes a fine review of the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges.

Manitoba for 1938 coming under review.

OHIO, 1939—

The One Hundred and Thirtieth Annual Communication was held in the City of Columbus, on October 18th, 1939. M.W. Bro. Harry Meyer, Grand Master.

Bro. Wm. M. Maddox, represented Manitoba.

The Hon. John W. Bricker, Governor of Ohio, an illustrious and active Mason welcomed the Brethren.

From the Grand Master's decisions we quote the following:

"Decisions: On June 17th, 1939, I received a communication from Golden Square Lodge No. 679, Cleveland, Ohio, advising that Bro. Hugo Hecht, a member of a Lodge in Czechoslovakia had all the credentials of a paid-up member in his Lodge during the years 1937-38 and according to them occupied a position in his Grand Lodge similar to that of a District Deputy Grand Master in our Grand Lodge. This Brother had been visiting Golden Square Lodge and the question was raised as to his right to visit without dues card to date. This Brother was willing and ready to pay his dues in his Lodge, but when Germany took over Czechoslovakia his Lodge as well as the Grand Lodge was disbanded. Therefore, he was unable to pay dues, secure a demit or have any further contacts. This Grand Lodge was in fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Czechoslovakia. This Brother held membership in a legitimate Masonic Body. Photostatic copies of his credentials, etc., were placed in my hands. On the information furnished me by Golden Square Lodge No. 679, I made the following decision, to wit:

"Because of the circumstances surrounding the membership of Bro. Hugo Hecht, authorization is hereby granted to Golden Square Lodge No. 679, A.F. & A.M., to admit Bro.

Hecht, as a visitor providing he can qualify after due examination as per the requirements of this Grand Lodge excepting that he has no card or receipt showing his dues are paid to date.

"This same communication from Golden Square Lodge No. 679 raised a second question, "What can be done in order to permit him to become a member of one of our Lodges here?"

"On this second question I did not render any decision due to the fact that application had not been made for membership by affiliation. Personally I feel that his affiliation should not be barred because of the fact that he is unable to pay dues in his own Lodge or secure proper credentials.

"As similar cases may arise owing to the unsettled state of the Order in Europe, I feel that each case should be referred to the then Grand Master, pending the establishment of any rule by the Grand Lodge to govern such cases."

The sum of $500.00 was sent to Chile, S.A., to help in the relief of our Brethren who had suffered owing to an earthquake which had wrought widespread destruction.

The Grand Master believes in having an Annual conference of Lodge Secretaries, much good can be gained by such meetings.

From the General summary, we find that in Ohio there are 623 lodges with a membership of 173,318, net loss 1,380.

The reviews are by M.W. Bro. Earle Stewart, P.G.M., and of his usual high order.

OKLAHOMA, 1939—

Their Thirty-first Annual Communication was held in the City of Tulsa on February 14th, 1959.

There were present, seventeen Past Grand Masters, the representatives of 327 Constituent Lodges also being in attendance.

Manitoba was represented by W. Bro. Clyde Ray.

Eleven Emergent Communications were held for the purpose of laying cornerstones.

The Grand Secretary reports a membership of 45,544, of this number 2533 have been exempt from payment of dues to Grand Lodge as compared with 2531 the number exempt last year.

Bro. Dr. I. N. McCash, Grand Orator, delivered a scholarly address which is one of the best we have read for sometime.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is presented by M.W. Bro. C. A. Sturgeon, P.G.M., who is carrying on in place of Bro. Chesnut, who suddenly passed away on June 18th, 1938, and had only a short time ago succeeded P.G.M. Bro. Thomas Chauncey Humphrey. We mourn with Oklahoma.

Manitoba for 1938 is fraternally reviewed.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1939—

The Communications of the Grand Lodge are held in four quarterly meetings. From the quarterly Communication held on March 1st, the following is quoted:

"The following Declaration of Principles approved by the Grand Masters' Conference 1939, was presented by our Grand Master, when on motion the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

"Freemasonry is a charitable, benevolent, educational and religious society. Its principles are proclaimed as widely as men will hear. Its only secrets are in its methods of recognition and of symbolic instruction.

"It is charitable in that it is not organized for profit and none of its income insures to the benefit of any individual, but all is devoted to the promotion of the welfare and happiness of mankind.

"It is benevolent in that it teaches and exemplifies altruism as a duty.

"It is educational in that it teaches by prescribed ceremonials a system of morality and brotherhood based upon the Sacred Law.

"It is religious in that it teaches monotheism, the Holy Bible is open upon its altars whenever a Lodge is in session, reverence for God is ever present in its ceremonial, and to its Brethren are constantly addressed lessons of morality; yet it is not sectarian or theological.

"It is a social organization only so far as it furnishes additional inducement that men may foregather in numbers, thereby providing more material for its primary work of education, of worship, and of charity.

"Through the improvement and strengthening of the character of the individual man, Freemasonry seeks to improve the community. Thus it impresses upon its members, the principles of personal righteousness and personal responsibility, enlightens them as to those things which make for human welfare and inspires them with that feeling of charity, or good will, toward all mankind which will move them to translate principle and conviction into action.

"To that end, it teaches and stands for the worship of God; truth and justice; fraternity and philanthropy; enlightenment and orderly liberty, civil, religious and intellectual. It charges each of its members to be true and loyal to the government of the country to which he owes allegiance and to be obedient to the law of any state in which he may be.

"It believes that the attainment of these objectives is best accomplished by having a broad basis of principles upon which men of every race, country, sect and opinion may unite rather than by setting up a restriction platform upon which only those of certain races, creeds and opinions can assemble.

"Believing these things, this Grand Lodge affirms its continued adherence to that ancient and approved rule of Freemasonry which forbids the discussion in Masonic meet-

ings of creeds, politics, or other topics likely to excite personal animosities.

"It further affirms its conviction that it is not only contrary to the fundamental principles of Freemasonry, but dangerous to its unity, strength, usefulness and welfare, for Masonic Bodies to take action or attempt to exercise pressure or influence for or against any legislation, or in any way to attempt to procure the election or appointment of governmental officials, or to influence them, whether or not members of the Fraternity, in the performance of their official duties. The true Freemason will act in civil life according to his individual judgment and the dictates of his conscience."

The Declaration of Principles has now been adopted by a number of Grand Lodges.

At the quarterly meeting held on June 7th, 1939, Grand Master Robert R. Lewis enumerated a list of bequests to the Grand Lodge which are quite large amounts in some cases and must be greatly appreciated by the Craft in this Jurisdiction.

At the quarterly meeting held on September 6th, M.W. Bro. Thomas H. Desmond, Grand Master of Connecticut who had been appointed to represent Pennsylvania at the Installation of the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England gave a very interesting report of the Proceedings.

At the quarterly meeting on December 6th, 1939, Bro. Wm. H. Brehm was elected Grand Master. The report of the Masonic Home shows the following number being cared for:

Married Couples (53)	106	
Unaccompanied Men	148	
Unaccompanied Women	266	
Widows of Master Masons		247
Mothers of Master Masons		9
Adult Daughters of M.M.'s		7
Adult Sisters of M.M.'s		3
Boys	48	
Girls	41	
Guests November 15th, 1939	609	

The Annual Communication was held at Philadelphia on December 27th, 1939. The Grand Master delivered a very businesslike address.

From the summary 565 lodges are reported to have a membership of 174,677. A notable feature is that there are 12 lodges without names, each one have a number.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1939—

A special Communication of the Grand Lodge was convened in Charlottetown on March 3rd, 1939, by M.W. Bro. Donald E. Baker, Grand Master, for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late M.W. Bro. Ernest Kemp, P.G.M.

The Sixty-fourth Annual Communication was held on June 28th, 1939, in Charlottetown. The Grand Master represented Manitoba at the reception of Grand Representatives. Ten Past Grand Masters were in attendance. The Grand Master reports having visited every Lodge in his Jurisdiction with the exception of Orient which held a Joint meeting with St. Andrew's Lodge at Montague.

The Grand Secretary reports 15 lodges with a total membership of 1,075.

M.W. Bro. F. M. Pidgeon, P.G.M., submits the report of Committee on Foreign Correspondence which is of a brief nature, touching on a few of the outstanding features mentioned in the Annual Proceedings of other Jurisdictions.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, 1939—

The Twenty-seventh Annual Communication was held in the City of Manila on January 24th, 1939. M.W. Bro. Jose Abad Santos, Grand Master, presiding.

The Grand Master reports that the "suspension issue" with the Grand Lodge of Scotland, England, Ireland and Massachusetts has finally been buried and fraternal relations resumed again.

From the Statistics we quote the following regarding the membership of the lodges in this Jurisdiction.

"There are 101 Lodges with a membership of 5,450 composed of the following nationalities:

"Filipinos 2,784	"Increase 103
"American 2,006	"Increase 48
"Chinese 526	"Increase ..... 53"
"Other Nationalities 134	

Bro. Paul Vories McNutt, U.S. High Commissioner to the Philippines, was in attendance and addressed Grand Lodge.

Fraternal Reviews used to be published in "The Cable-tow", but are now being shown in the Proceedings, the report is made by Bro. A. E. Patton, P.M., Manitoba for 1938 is fraternally reviewed.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, 1940—

It is interesting to note the carefully prepared and edited Proceedings of this Jurisdiction. Grand Lodge of Philippine Islands is 28 years old and the Annual Communication was convened by M.W. Bro. Major General Jose de Los Reyes, Grand Master, in the City of Manila, on January 23rd, 1940.

Fifteen Past Grand Masters were in attendance.

The Grand Master's address was full of constructive ideas and will mean much to this Grand Lodge. He recommended that the Grand Lodge sponsors a Boys' Organization

in the Philippines where genuine Masonic precepts and ideals could be taught. From the report of the lodges holding warrants from this Grand Lodge we quote the membership of same which shows an increase.

TOTAL MEMBERS IN CHINA MASONIC DISTRICT ON NOVEMBER 30, 1939

Lodges	Filipinos	Americans	Chinese	Other Nationalities	Total	Net Gain
Amity No. 106	3	25	83	11	122	7
Nanking No. 108	1	17	39	4	61	1
Pearl River No. 109	1	16	47	2	66	8
Szechwan No. 112	—	8	26	14	48	5
West Lake No. 113	—	12	21	5	38	2
Sun No. 114	2	16	43	5	66	16
Totals	7	94	259	41	401	39

Manitoba was represented by Bro. Gonzalo T. Vales. There are 102 lodges with a membership of 5,431.

QUEENSLAND, 1938-39—

A special Communication of the Grand Lodge of Queensland was held at Brisbane, on July 28th, 1938. M.W. Bro. Sir Leslie O. Wilson, Grand Master on the Throne.

We fail to find Manitoba's representative among the list of Grand Representatives present.

At this Communication, M.W. Bro. Wilson was installed for the fourth year in succession as Grand Master.

On September 3rd the M.W. Pro. Grand Master, M.W. Bro. W. H. Green dedicated the new Masonic Temple at Jandowae.

At the Quarterly Communication held in Brisbane on June 7th, 1939, M.W. Bro. Sir Leslie O. Wilson was again elected to the office of Grand Master for the ensuing term.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

RHODE ISLAND, 1939—
and PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS.

The Proceedings under review are those of the semi-annual Communication of November, 1938, and the Annual Communication of May, 1959.

In M.W. Grand Master Fred. H. Barrows' Address along with his report of a very active year to his Grand Lodge, is that at the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington in February, the topic was presented and considered, "Is there need both within and without our Fraternity for a redefinition of the nature and purposes of Freemasonry". This resulted in the adoption of a Declaration of Principles, which is printed in full in the review of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for 1939.

The Benevolent demands increased for the year.

The outstanding Masonic event of the year was the attendance of the Grand Lodge Officers at the Bicentenary of Freemasonry in Canada which took place in Nova Scotia on July 10th, lasting four days. At this Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, Grand Master Barrows was presented with the Erasmus James Phillips Medal.

The report of the Committee on the Celebration of the Sesqui-Centennial of Grand Lodge showed that many of the lodges in the Jurisdiction were operating at a loss and therefore could not afford to pay the assessment made at the meeting in 1938, and as this celebration could not be carried on without adequate funds, the Committee recommended that the Finance Committee give further consideration to methods of financing and bring in another report and recommendation.

Total funds of Grand Lodge on hand at this date showed $198,833.44. No Proceedings, were reviewed, of other Grand Lodges.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1939—

They were assembled in a special Communication on June 29th, 1939, in the City of Regina for the purpose of receiving the visiting deputations from the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland and Scotland:

THE UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND

General Sir Francis J. Davies, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., V.L. Deputy Grand Master.

Rev. Thomas T. Blockley, M.A., Provincial Grand Master for Oxfordshire.

The Rt. Hon. Viscount De Vesci, D.L., Senior Grand Warden.

Major Robert L. Lloyd, O.B.E., M.C., Past Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies.

IRELAND

Raymond F. Brooke, Deputy Grand Master.

Lt. Col. Lord Farnham, D.S.O. Provincial Grand Master of Meath.

Dr. William E. Thrift, Provost of Trinity College, Dublin.

SCOTLAND

Brig.-General Sir Norman A. Orr Ewing, Bart. D.S.O., A.D.C., V.L. Grand Master Mason.

T. G. Winning, J.P., Grand Secretary.

The Thirty-third Annual Communication was held in Regina on June 21st, 1939, M.W. Bro. S. C. Burton on the Throne. Bro. Hon. W. J. Patterson, Premier of Saskatchewan and His Worship Mayor, A. C. Ellison welcomed the Brethren to the City of Regina.

R.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, D.G.M. of Manitoba was in attendance at this time and received a cordial welcome, and was also made an Honorary Member of this Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master delivered a businesslike address from which we cull the following, which we think are timely reminders:

We like the Grand Master's recommendations regarding Grand Lodge Officers and District Meetings and reprint same for our readers information:

"CAUTION

"A matter that I would like to just generally refer to is a reminder to the members of the sacredness of their obligation in regard to secrecy and silence as to what occurs in regard to Masonry generally. It has come to my knowledge that in some places this obligation is being overlooked, and that in some of the so-called affiliated ladies' organizations, altogether too much knowledge of what is taking place in our Lodges is known. Unfortunately, owing to the human relationship between the members of these organizations as well as some Masons being members of them, there is a tendency to overlook the obligation of secrecy that every Mason must take. I believe the matter is of sufficient importance to be thus called to your attention."

"RULINGS

"During the year I was asked by a Regina Lodge for a ruling or opinion upon the question that is arising in some Lodges, of applause being given for an especially creditable rendition of some part of the ritual. I know that this practice has been growing in a number of our Lodges, and I accordingly have replied that it is not permissible to applaud any part of ritualistic work."

He also mentions his visit in company with M.W. Bro. Estey and R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

We like the Grand Master's recommendations regarding Grand Lodge Officers and District Meetings and reprint same for our readers information:

"RECOMMENDATIONS

"From my experience I am going to be bold enough to offer the following suggestions to my successors: I believe that many of these recommendations. if they commend themselves to you and are followed, will make our set-up more efficient and satisfactory.

"First: That our Grand Lodge Officers, as they advance step by step, should have more actual duties assigned to them, so that

when they reach the office of Grand Master, they have some experience behind them that will make them more efficient in that position. I would particularly recommend that the Deputy Grand Master should have more duties to take care of, and would make this definite recommendation. That he should be expected to take half of the District Meetings during the year he is Deputy Grand Master, taking the balance the following year. With seventeen Districts spread out as they are across the whole length and breadth of the Province, it imposes a considerable sacrifice of time on the part of the Grand Master to attend all these District Meetings. It is both a nervous and mental strain trying to hold these meetings within the comparatively short time of one month, as owing to our predominently agricultural industry it is the expressed wish that these meetings be held during the month of July, and I am satisfied that the experience that every Deputy Grand Master would get by following this plan, would give him a training that would fit him much better for the office of Grand Master.

"Second: That a Special Committee consider the advisability of continuing the present system of District Meetings, and the training of District Deputy Grand Masters. I am satisfied that at present our District Meetings are not giving us the results they should and were originally intended to, and that a better system of giving our District Deputies the necessary training is advisable."

M.W. Bro. W. M. Martin, Past Grand Master, presents the Correspondence with an excellent foreword. He gives Manitoba a most friendly review.

SCOTLAND, 1939—

At the Quarterly meeting held in Edinburgh on August 3rd, 1939, the Foreign and Colonial Committee submitted the following report which was approved:

"In accordance with the remit from Grand Committee at its meeting on 20th July, 1939, the Committee had before it a letter dated 23rd May, 1939, from Bro. John H. May, the District Grand Master, Goldfields District of Western Australia, asking if similar permission could be extended to him as was granted by Grand Lodge to the District Grand Master of Western Australia, to enable him to discuss terms for the Union of the two Constitutions in that State. After consideration the Committee agreed to

recommend Grand Committee to move Grand Lodge to grant the request. They however deem it their duty to point out that in accordance with the terms of the Articles of Recognition entered into between these two Grand Lodges in 1907, any Lodge in that Colony holding of the Grand Lodge of Scotland with the permission of that Grand Lodge, first asked and obtained in writing, must meet and decide in open Lodge whether or not it desires to tender its allegiance to the Grand Lodge of Western Australia. Such meeting requires to be specially convened on not less than twenty-one days' notice for the purpose of determining this question, and no other business can be considered at that meeting. These Articles of Recognition also require that a majority of two-thirds in number of the Brethren present at that meeting shall be in favor of such a proposal to enable the Lodge to tender its allegiance to the Grand Lodge of Western Australia. The result of the meeting, with copies of the Resolution passed thereat, are to be sent forthwith in duplicate, verified by the signature of the Master in the Chair, and countersigned by the Secretary, to the District Grand Secretary, and to the Grand Secretary at Freemason's Hall, Edinburgh.

"The Committee desire to record their appreciation of the long and harmonious relationship which has existed with these Daughter Lodges, and would much regret if any step was now taken which would result in the severance of the filial ties of affection and esteem which bind all these Lodges to their Mother Grand Lodge."

Quarterly Communication held on November 2nd, 1939, Bro. the Rt. Hon. Viscount Traprain was elected as Grand Master of Scotland, who at present, is serving his country.

The Annual Communication was held on November 30th, 1939, Bro. Brig. General Sir Norman A. Orr Ewing, Bart. D.S.O., A.D.C., V.L., Grand Master Mason on the Throne. At this communication, M.W. Bro. H.R.H. The Duke of Kent, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England had honorary membership conferred upon him, following which the other Grand Lodge Officers were installed into office.

At the Quarterly Communication held on February 1st, 1940, Bro. The Rt. Hon. Viscount Traprain was installed a Most Worshipful Grand Master Mason.

SOUTH AFRICA, 1939—
District Grand Lodge, (E.C.)

The Annual Meeting of the Central Division was held at Kimberley on April 19th, 1939.

From the notice calling this meeting we quote the following By-Laws of the District Grand Lodge, for the information of our readers:

"ANY LODGE NOT REPRESENTED TO BE FINED

"Any Lodge in the District not represented by its Worshipful Master, a Past Master, or by one, at least of its Wardens, at the Regular Meetings of District Grand Lodge, not being prevented by reasonable causes shown to the satisfaction of the District Grand Master or his Deputy, shall be subject to a fine of one guinea, such fine to be paid to the District Grand Lodge Fund within one month after such Regular Meeting has been held."

"NON-ATTENDANCE OF DISTRICT GRAND OFFICERS

"The District Grand Officers shall, during their year of office, punctually attend their duty in the District Grand Lodge, and any District Grand Officer failing to do so, not being prevented by reasonable cause shown to the satisfaction of the District Grand Master or his Deputy, shall for each absence from duly convened Communications be fined half a guinea, to be paid by him to the District Grand Treasurer towards the funds of the District Grand Lodge, and if he neglect to pay the fine when incurred, after due notice from the District Grand Secretary, he may be proceeded against under Art. 92, Book of Constitutions."

We wonder how the Manitoba Brethren would like the above By-Laws!

The Benevolent Fund Board disbursed during the year, Allowances £156.0.0 and grants £226.3.9.

With this copy of Proceedings we received several of the "Monthly leaflets of Masonic Instruction", the organ of this District's Correspondence Study Circle. These we have

read with a great deal of interest, and think that this idea might well be copied by other Jurisdictions.

R.W. Bro. J. Van Praagh, District Grand Master delivered a very businesslike address.

There are 14 lodges with a membership of 523 an increase of 7.

SOUTH AFRICA CENTRAL DIVISION, 1940—
District Grand Lodge, (E.C.)

The Forty-fourth Annual Meeting was held in Kimberley on April 17th, 1940, R.W. Bro. J. Van Praagh, District Grand Master, presiding.

It is noted that the Worshipful Master of each lodge submits a report covering the activities of his lodge during the year.

The District Board of General Purposes reports the Benevolent Fund to be £6,260.5.0 the allowances for the year being £236.10.0, this we think is a splendid showing considering that there are only 14 lodges with a membership of 514, the lodge with the largest membership being 52 and the smallest 12.

We also read with a great deal of interest the essay prepared and written by W. Bro. J. S. Dunn, District Grand Secretary, his subject being "Freemasonry Overseas" a plea for more Masonic enlightenment which we think is timely and fits in with conditions in some parts of this Jurisdiction.

SOUTH CAROLINA, 1939—

Four special Communications were held. One for the purpose of constituting a new lodge; two for dedicating

lodges and one to lay the cornerstone of the new Textile Building at Clemenson College.

They were assembled in their Two Hundred and Second Annual Communication in the City of Charleston, on March 8th, 1939.

Ten Past Grand Masters, and the representatives of two hundred and sixty Constituent lodges were present.

From the Grand Master's introductory remarks we cull the following:

"In presenting this my final report as your Grand Master, I confess that the temptation presents itself to outline what I think is wrong with the world,—that we are passing through the most critical period of human history and that the only stabilizing influence that can save us from chaos is Masonry. Some such theme has been very popular with Masonic orators and writers during the recent years. History, however, reveals that every generation passed through a 'critical period.' The world is suffering from the same contending forces as in all previous ages—liberty against autocracy—individual rights against centralized authority—right against wrong. Masonry has always fought, with many other forces as allies, for liberty and justice. I am not a prophet, however, I do not believe that the battle will be either lost or won. It will be a continuing struggle and our responsibility is to pass on to the next generation a strong, vigorous Masonry capable of maintaining its sector of the battle line. In brief, therefore, my philosophy is that Masonry should be militant but not unduly alarmed. Masonry passed the experimental stage many years before the current crop of dictators were born. I am not advocating complacency because our greatest danger is lack of interest from within, but I am trying to say that Masonry is suffering from within, but I am trying to say that Masonry is suffering from no new ills; that we must quit 'calamity howling' blaming the world and modern conditions with our shortcomings. We need only to redouble our efforts in our chosen field of service to our membership and the community in which we live. 'Practical Masonry' and 'Community Consciousness" if you please. Masonry is a way of life, the combined virtues of individual lives, yours and mine: the good we do day by day."

The Craft is reported to be improving—an increase in members, also improved financial conditions.

Bro. Henry Collins presents the review of the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges which is exceedingly interesting. Manitoba being fraternally reviewed.

TASMANIA, 1939—

A special meeting was held on January 15th, 1939, for the purpose of dedicating a Masonic Temple in Hobart. A collection was taken up in aid of the Grand Lodge Benevolent fund and realized the sum of £23.4.0.

The Annual Communication was held in Launceston, on February 18th, 1939. M.W. Bro. Stanley Dryden, Grand Master, presiding.

The Board of Benevolence reports financial assistance to the extent of £1,677.19.8 has been afforded to distressed Brothers, widows and children of deceased Masons, and in defraying funeral expenses. We also note that the Assets of the Board have now reached £20,000 which is something the brethren of this small Jurisdiction may well be proud of.

The half-yearly Communication was held in Hobart on August 26th, 1939. M.W. Bro. Stanley Dryden, Grand Master in the Chair.

"The Grand Secretary reported that the National Grand Lodge of Denmark was already recognized by the United Grand Lodge of England and several Grand Lodges in Australia, and exchanged Representatives, consequently our Grand Master granted recognition and submitted the name of R.W. Bro. H. V. Biggins, P.G.W. and President of the Board of Benevolence, to be the Representative for Denmark, in Tasmania."

The Grand Master in his address reports an increase in membership for the half-year to be 47. Also the planning for a suitable celebration of the Jubilee of this Grand Lodge to be held in February, 1941, has been commenced.

There are 47 lodges, with a membership of 4,134.

TASMANIA, 1940—

The Forty-ninth Annual Communication was held on February 24th, 1940, in Latrobe, Most Worshipful Bro. Stanley Dryden, Grand Master, presiding.

From the Annual Report of the Board of General Purposes, we find that:

"The Board has received requests from three Lodges for remission of Grand Lodge Dues in respect to Brethren of His Majesty's Forces serving abroad during the war. After discussion the Board decided to give further consideration to the requests at the next half-yearly meeting in July."

The Board also gave close attention to the Financial Statement of private lodges, which we think is a good thing to do.

The Board of Benevolence reports that during the year financial assistance has been rendered to the extent of £1,831.9.8 to distressed Brethren, widows and children of deceased Masons and payment of funeral expenses.

There are 47 lodges, membership 4,173, an increase in membership for the half-year of 39.

No reviews.

TENNESSEE, 1940—

In compliance with the Constitution, the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Annual Communication was held in Nashville on Jan. 31st, 1940. Grand Master Lindsay B. Phillips, presiding.

Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present. Three Hundred and Seventy-five lodges out of 396 were represented.

The Grand Master delivered a very businesslike address and from his opening remarks we quote the following:

"Let us also bear in mind that the problems of human society are ever changing and shifting; that change is inevitable as life flows on; that all social institutions must be able to adapt themselves to the shifting conditions that ceaselessly come with the passing of the years. This is true of the institutions of government and industry; it is true of the institutions of education and religion; it is true of institutions like Masonry. All alike must prove their worth by the results they achieve and by the manner in which they satisfy the needs of men, whatever the conditions and problems of life may be. Let us then, clinging firmly to the landmarks and teachings of the Order which have come down to us from the dim and misty past, study how to make Masonry function more effectively amid the perplexities of today, and strengthen it for its labors in the inevitable difficulties of the unknown tomorrow. With faith and zeal and courage, let us plan and labor, here and in our respective Lodges and communities, to make our Institution the positive force for righteousness and peace and brotherhood that it ought to be. Let us here today renew our vows to dedicate and devote our lives to the great work entrusted to us, and in utter sincerity seek wisdom and guidance in our efforts from Him whom we revere and serve. May we fight the good fight. May we keep the faith.

"My Brethren, Masonry occupies a place of unusual importance in world affairs of today. Our social institutions have been undergoing radical changes within the past few years. Old-fashioned ideals with reference to the more worthwhile relationships in life have suffered from the assaults of our modern methods of thinking and acting.

"Disregard for Law and the fundamental principles upon which the safety of our Government and continued happiness depends so much, has created a situation in our social fabric which is challenging thinking people, and of necessity, should challenge the attention of real Masons everywhere. If Masonry is what we claim it to be, if it holds for us the comfort and hope that have enabled it to survive centuries, it will surely serve us well at this time.

"Now is the time when we should try the claim of Freemasonry by putting it to the test. Now is the time when we should resort to Freemasonry for refuge from the ills that assail us. Now is the time we should employ the principles of Free-Masonry in our efforts to administer to faithshaken and gloom-stricken humanity. We now have an opportunity to employ one

of the greatest moral forces that has ever been lodged with an institution for the accomplishment of great things at a time when the necessity is more immediate and acute than ever before.

"We must reconstruct for ourselves something we have lost since the World War, namely a philosophy of life based on brotherly love and consideration of one for the other. We must find again, in business and in business relations, an opportunity for service, not to ourselves alone, but to our fellow-men, and we must come to think of that service in terms of the greatest good to the greatest number and as a pleasant privilege in our relations with humanity at large. We must build soundly and sanely a structure of good will and mutual helpfulness and thoughtfulness that will go far towards a guaranty of future stability.

"World conditions at this time are truly alarming. More and more it becomes evident that peace and prosperity can come only when selfishness shall cease to be the compelling force actuating man and nations. The enormous responsibility of Masonry at this moment, indeed, is at a height it has never reached before. Never before has the world needed Freemasonry, its tenets, its principles its true practice, as much as today. It is to the individual Mason, each one of us, in his Lodge, in his Grand Lodge, in his influence in his home and outside his home, wherever his Masonic influence can penetrate, to whom we must look in the first place for strength in Masonry; and then, under good leadership, with sound counsel, with men we can trust, with men we are proud to follow, we will get results which yet will startle the world. That will be because these results will have been achieved quietly by the permeation of ideas; not by the use of force, but the use of reason; and when the world is permeated with the principles in which we believe, it will be better and more secure."

Three cornerstones were laid and a request to lay a cornerstone of a church on Sunday, December 10th, was refused, as the laying of a cornerstone on Sunday is specifically prohibited by the Code. Eight lodges were merged into four. The Grand Secretary reports that the lodges in Tennessee charge, on the average, $31.90 for the three degrees and $4.07 for annual dues. One lodge charges only $2.25 annual dues, eight which charge $2.50 and a number of others charge only $2.75 or $3.00. We wonder how they manage to operate. He also reports a total membership of 36,091, a net loss of 246.

A splendid correspondence report in keeping with the remainder of the Proceedings is presented by M.W. Bro. John T. Peeler, Manitoba for 1939 being reported.

TEXAS, 1939—

The One Hundred and Fourth Annual Communication was convened on December 6th, 1939, in the City of Waco. Grand Master Lee Lockwood presiding.

Manitoba's representative Bro. J. W. Pender was in attendance.

Grand Master Lockwood, commences his address by going direct to the Book of the Law upon our Altars and selected therefrom one of its paramount admonitions:

"Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; and let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works. Hebrews 10: 23, 24."

Two Lodges were constituted, one Dispensation was granted to form a new lodge, and two lodges consolidated, also a number of Dispensations for various purposes were issued during the year.

A number of Dispensations were refused among which were the following:

"Dispensation refused Lodge to attend a Church Service clothed as Masons.

"Permission refused to present Masonic play before the Eastern Star.

"Refused to grant permission for a "six months' try" of a Postoffice Luncheon Club.

"Permission refused to furnish a Lightfoot's Manual to a Negro Masonic Lodge.

"Dispensation refused to open a Master Masons' Lodge in a home so as to permit a brother to sit in a Lodge."

"PHYSICAL DEFECTS

"As provided in Article 26, amended 1938, many applicants with physical defects petitioning for the Degrees were submitted to the Grand Master to pass upon. In order to determine the facts in each case, a report from the District Deputy Grand Master was required and, in many instances, a statement from physicians as well as tracings or photographs of the defects were also required.

"There were 102 applicants who qualified to receive the Degrees, while 18 were disqualified to receive the Degrees.

"JURISDICTIONS NOT RECOGNIZED

"Member of a Lodge in Germany (a jurisdiction not recognized by the Grand Lodge of Texas) who has moved to Texas, cannot visit any Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction; to become a member it would be necessary that after he had resided in the state and Jurisdiction the proper length of time, he make application for the Degrees."

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is prepared by P.G.M., M.W. Bro. W. M. Fly, Manitoba being fraternally reviewed.

UTAH, 1939—

The M.W. Grand Lodge, F. & A.M. of Utah, convened in its Sixty-eighth Annual Communication in Salt Lake City, on September 25th, 1939.

The roll call showed that Twenty-three of the Twenty-six lodges of the Jurisdiction were represented. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present.

M.W. Bro. Harold Russell Waldo in his address reports the state and condition of Masonry in this Jurisdiction is

good. During the year he has officially visited every one of the Utah Lodges, to say nothing of numerous informal visits. Among the "By-Laws" approved is the following:

"No unusual features were presented by any of these revisions except in the case of Albert Pike Lodge No. 14 which Lodge desired to add to the uniform prohibition against loans to members the further requirement that no loans shall be made by the Lodge either to a member or a member's 'father, mother, wife son, daughter, sister, brother, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, first cousin, mother-in-law, father-in-law, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, son-in-lay or daughter-in-law.' It seemed to me permissible for a Lodge to impose these additional restrictions on itself and its officers if it chose to do so, at least so long as they do not entirely exhaust a man's family tree; and I, therefore, approved their revised By-Laws including these additional restrictions."

Bro. Elmer Ellsworth Corfman, Grand Orator, delivered a brief but interesting address.

M.W. Bro. Sam Henry Goodwin, P.G.M., submitted the report on Fraternal Correspondence. Manitoba for 1938 is included in the report.

VICTORIA, 1939—

A Quarterly Communication was held at Melbourne on March 15th, 1939, with the Grand Master, His Excellency Lord Huntingfield on the Throne.

Six new lodges were constituted in various parts of the state and two new Temples were dedicated.

Total membership is reported as 52,063, lodges 523.

The Benevolent Fund disbursed £5,027.11.11.

Communications from the M.W. Grand Master:

"VISITING ON THE LAST NIGHT OF A MASTER

"The attention of the Board of General Purposes has been directed to the question of visitations by Masters on the last night of a Master's term in the Chair, when members of a Master's

Association attend in large numbers, with the idea of doing honor to the retiring Master, who may happen to belong to that particular Association.

"Complaints have been received from Lodges concerned because of the strain on their financial resources arising from this practice.

"This matter is, in my view, linked up with the question of visiting generally. If a Master visits extensively it will naturally involve return visits to his Lodge and probably a large attendance of Masters on his 'last night.'

"A Master of a Lodge should therefore always consider what extent of visiting on his part his Lodge can afford.

"It should be remembered also, that the cost to the Lodge of these 'last nights' when added to the Installation expenses at the following regular meeting, may be considerable.

"PRESENCE OF NON-FREEMASONS AT THE FESTIVE BOARD

"In April, 1931, the Board of General Purposes made a Pronouncement with regard to the presence of non-Freemasons at the Festive Board, when persons who are not Freemasons have been allowed to take part in connection with entertainments at the Festive Board of subordinate Lodges.

"On that occasion the Board expressed its opinion that such a practice was wrong and should not be permitted.

"During the past eight years this practice seems to have been further developed; I therefore stress the necessity for each Lodge to take special care that no person, except a Freemason shall take part in entertainments at its Festive Board."

Manitoba was represented by V.W. Bro. E. J. Carter, P.P.B.B., who reviews our Proceedings for 1939.

VIRGINIA, 1939—

The Grand Lodge of Virginia held its One Hundred and Sixty-first Annual Communication at Richmond on

February 14th, 1939, M.W. Bro. Dr. James N. Hillman, Grand Master, opening the Grand Lodge in Ample form, after prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

Bro. L. P. Harrell represented Manitoba.

The Grand Master delivered an inspirational address and from his remarks we quote the following:

"The profane world has no criterion by which to judge Masonry other than by the fruit which a Masonic life produces. Your life and mine are either a benefit or a hindrance to the ideals, the tenets and the philosophy of Masonry. With all the sincerity of my heart, and with all the courage of my soul. I have dared to proclaim Masonry's need, as I see it at least, for a more perfect practice of the principles of friendship and brotherly love in all its contacts with the everyday life of mankind.

"We take too much for granted about the brotherhood of man, and do altogether too little to make it a reality. In the counting room, in the marts of trade, in legislative halls, in social relationships, in the duties accompanying civic preferment, and in the practice of our professions we are too prone to idealize love and rationalize hate. The world awaits the miracle of an institution, an organization, or a government which can, and will, with complete abandon, rationalize the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

"Masonry must send its roots deeper than merely through the top soil of temporary and symbolic ritualism—good as that soil may be—nor can it be satisfied with merely reaching the 'subsoil' of wishful and opportune or expedient thinking, if it is to be assured a continuing effectiveness and that ultimate triumph which faith in God and love to fellow-man will eventually most surely command.

"Unless Masons are, first of all 'good men and true' the white heat of reality will separate the veneer from the cheaper substance which it covers, and will reveal in the noonday sunlight of eternal truth the sheer hypocrisy of professions unsupported by performance."

"DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

"The office of District Deputy Grand Master is an important one. It needs to be accorded the dignity it deserves. It is not to be treated lightly. It is not just an empty honor. The D.D.G.M.

is **in loco magistris.** He is the Master in his District and only on rare and unusual matters should the time and energy of the Grand Master be invoked in connection with the functional details or routine activities among the Lodges of a District Deputy's area. The Grand Master may be the General, but every one knows that the lieutenants, or personal representatives, do most of the work, sharing the responsibility, and to them should go the credit for the execution of the local tasks."

Many visits were paid to lodges and other Grand Jurisdictions by the Grand Master as he reports having travelled approximately thirty thousand miles to make these visits.

His closing remarks on "Whither Bound" are timely and lack of space prevents us from publishing same.

In the Correspondence Report by Bro. James M. Clift the Proceedings of Manitoba are courteously reviewed.

WASHINGTON, 1939—

The Eighty-second Annual Communication was held at Tacoma, beginning June 26th, 1939, was a busy, constructive session under the leadership of Grand Master W. Gale Matthews.

Twenty-one Past Grand Masters were present.

One lodge was granted a Charter and Constituted during the year. The Grand Master attended a number of District Meetings and the following is quoted:

"At some of these District Meetings all of the Lodges in the District were opened in the hall of the host Lodge under permission granted by the Grand Master. There may be some question as to whether or not the Grand Master has authority to grant such permission unless the provisions of Section 921 of the Code are complied with."

This seems strange to the reviewer and we wonder how the lodges get over it in recording their Minutes.

Three cornerstones were laid during the year.

"OPINIONS

"On February 2nd, in reply to a suggestion that the Grand Court of the Order of the Amaranth be permitted to contribute to the maintenance of the Masonic Home and be allowed to have members of that Order, who are not otherwise eligible, received as members of the Home. I stated that it was my opinion that such action would not be advisable. I am still of that opinion. I feel that the more groups that are participating in a fraternal venture involving as much financial expenditure as does the Masonic Home, the greater will be the possibility of misunderstanding among these groups, and the less will be the efficiency with which the Home will be operated."

From the Grand Master's rulings we extract the following:

"On October 12th, I refused an application from the Association of Men with Wings Inc., to circulate among the Lodges a petition, asking the Smithsonian Institute to change its rulings upon who first developed an airplane that would carry a human being aloft.

On November 7th, I ruled that under a ruling of a former Grand Master, to be found on page 408 of the Proceedings of 1936, and the approval of that ruling by Grand Lodge as found on pages 459 and 460, thereof, it is not permissible for a Blue Lodge to make an Honorary Past Master."

"I appended to the ruling which I sent to the enquiring Lodge this statement, 'I am in so much doubt as to the correctness of this ruling that I feel it my duty to call it to the attention of the next communication of the Grand Lodge, so that they may, in their wisdom, reaffirm the ruling or change it to permit the conferring of an Honorary Past Mastership upon a member of a Blue Lodge.

"I do most respectfully call this ruling to the attention of Grand Lodge for serious consideration. I feel it is the right of any Blue Lodge, for meritorious services rendered, to confer upon one of its members the honorary title of Past Master."

The Trustees of the Masonic Home report the present membership is 83 men, and 87 women, an increase over last year's report, of 16.

Manitoba is fraternally and courteously reviewed.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, 1939—

The Quarterly meetings were devoted to routine business although the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Dr. J. S. Battye referred to occasions occurring in various lodges throughout the Jurisdiction where, in the case of installations, the Grand Lodge Representative is summoned for a certain hour and it very frequestly happens that, through some mischance he is unable to be received in the Lodge until perhaps twenty or thirty minutes later than the time at which he was called, and urges the Masters of lodges to adhere as strictly as possible to the Time-table laid down.

The Annual Communication was held at Perth on May 25th, 1939.

From the Dispensations issued, we quote the following:

"DISPENSATIONS

"To permit of a Master Mason of less than three years standing being nominated as a candidate for the position of Worshipful Master. (Reg. 123)

"To permit of another brother with the necessary qualifications seconding a candidate in the absence of its Seconder. (Reg. 172)

"To permit of a candidate being seconded by a Master Mason of less than twelve months' standing. (Reg. 172)

"To permit of a candidate being proposed and/or seconded by Brethren who have not known him for the requisite period." (Reg. 172)

"MEMBERSHIP

"There are 157 active Lodges on the Register of Grand Lodge. The membership being 9,797—an increase of 213 over the previous year. There were 510 initiations as compared with 453 for the preceding period. The busiest Lodge was Friendship No. 17. There are six Lodges with a membership of 100 and over. The Lodge of Harmony No. 8, has the highest membership with a total of 111, followed by Excelsior No. 61 with 106."

The report on Foreign Correspondence was, as usual, submitted by R.W. Bro. Jas. W. E. Archdeacon, P.S.G.W. His report is one we read entirely and derive a great deal of enjoyment from it. Manitoba being fraternally reviewed

WEST VIRGINIA, 1939—

The Seventy-fifth Annual Communication was convened by M.W. Bro. Henry Aherns, Grand Master, in the City of Wheeling on October 11th, 1939. The Grand Master ascertained that 162 of the 164 lodges of the Jurisdiction were represented.

W. Bro. Charles B. Ahrens represented Manitoba.

The Grand Master presents an address containing much of general interest and instruction. He declares the slight decrease in membership is not sufficient to cause alarm. It is more than offset by the activities of the lodges and an increased interest on the part of the members in Masonic affairs.

Five special Communications were called during the year for the purpose of laying cornerstones. The Grand Master refers to the consolidation of lodges in the following which we quote and with which the reviewer agrees:

"It seems to me that great care and deliberation should be exercised in the consolidation of Lodges and it should only be done in emergency cases. For, after all the strength of Masonry does

not lie in large centralized Lodges with magnificent temples, but rather in the small, well organized, self-sustaining Lodges scattered throughout the Jurisdiction. There is a closer fellowship in Lodges where all are known to each other than is possible to exist in large Lodges where even the Master is not known to the members. Furthermore the prestige and influence of Masonry in civil life is far greater in small communities than in large centres."

The Grand Lodge Charity Fund Committee report the disbursement of $2,243.00 during the year.

From the Returns of Chartered Lodges, there are 164 lodges with a membership of 29,176, a decrease of 382 in membership.

Again we enjoy the reviews of Proceedings by P.G.M. Lewis N. Tavenner, although Manitoba is not included in his report. We can only presume our copy did not reach his desk in time.

WISCONSIN, 1939—

The Ninety-fifth Annual Communication was held at Milwaukee on June 13th, 1939, and Grand Master Clarence Hill presided. Seventeen Past Grand Masters were present.

Bro. Ray H. Watson represented Manitoba.

The Grand Master's address is a clear and concise statement of his duties performed during his year of office. He reports eight Emergent Communications held during the year.

A Special Dispensation was issued to hold a regular meeting in the residence of a Brother on his One Hundredth Birthday.

The Grand Master also states Masonry seems to be steadily advancing to a more settled and normal condition.

The Grand Secretary reports 310 lodges with a membership of 51,888.

The Masonic Service Bureau on Employment placed 155 applicants permanently, and 53 temporarily. The Jurisprudence Committee recommended the appointment of a Committee to study the whole matter of Life Membership and to report at the next Annual Communication.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is written by Past Grand Master Frank Jenks—Manitoba for 1938 coming under review.

WYOMING, 1939—

The Sixty-fifth Annual Communication was held on August 28th, 1939, in Casper. M.W. Bro. Lew M. Gay presiding.

There were 48 lodges represented with a total number of 212 votes.

The Grand Master in his address reports having visited almost all the lodges in his Jurisdiction, and found peace, harmony and progress.

Special Communications were held for the purpose of Constituting two lodges and the laying of nine cornerstones.

Dual membership appears to have been causing some concern and a vote was taken, and in the light of the returns made by the Grand Secretary, the Jurisprudence Committee recommended that dual membership be not adopted.

Bro. Joseph M. Lowndes, Grand Secretary, submits the report on Fraternal Correspondence which includes Manitoba.

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W. Bro. W. S. Breckon
W. Bro. Thos. Forbes
W. Bro. D. Griffiths
W. Bro. A. Horton
W. Bro. Geo. Tait

BEAVER LODGE NO. 139:

W. Bro. Ralph C. Ham.....M.
Bro. I. J. R. Deacon..S.W.

R.W. Bro. Rev. J. S. Miller
W. Bro. W. Lawson

Bro. W. E. Sharratt..J.W.

W. Bro. M. MacLean
W. Bro. W. Nason
W. Bro. S. W. Robertson

MERIDIAN LODGE NO. 140:

W. Bro. D. MacKay.....M.

M.W. Bro. J. T. Boyd
R.W. Bro. Hugh Mackenzie
V.W. Bro. W. S. Williams
W. Bro. D. A. King
W. Bro. A. A. Reid
W. Bro. A. T. Woolston

TUSCAN LODGE NO. 141:

W. Bro. R. J. Clark.....M.
Bro. T. Crossley.....S.W.
Bro. F. C. Nixon....J.W.

W. Bro. J. J. Allen
W. Bro. Norman Code
W. Bro. W. Hale
W. Bro. John McKenzie
W. Bro. Geo. H. Parker
W. Bro. N. Rotshtein
W. Bro. A. R. Simpson

MT. SINAI LODGE NO. 143:

W. Bro. J. S. Perlman.....M.
Bro. Sol. Frank.....S.W.
Bro. F. B. Dubinsky..J.W.

R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green
V.W. Bro. C. J. Bermack
W. Bro. A. J. Blond
W. Bro. J. Fred
W. Bro. H. Genaske
W. Bro. I. J. Goldstine
W. Bro. Earo Haid
W. Bro. Wm. Leonoff
W. Bro. J. L. Rill
W. Bro. L. A. Seipp
W. Bro. A. E. Weidman

FORT OSBORNE LODGE NO. 144:

W. Bro. E. D. Chable.....M.
Bro. D. McKenzie....S.W.
Bro. E. D. W. Smith..J.W.

R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood
W. Bro. David Harriman
W. Bro. J. V. Jonasson

STURGEON CREEK LODGE NO. 145:

W. Bro. W. H. Batchelor...M.
Bro. N. McIntosh ....S.W.

R.W. Bro. T. Stockdale
W. Bro. D. A. Best
W. Bro. A. C. B. Stewart
W. Bro. Geo. W. Zachary

FIDELITY LODGE NO. 146:

W. Bro. D. Burnside.....M.
Bro. F. H. Williams..S.W.
Bro. S. C. Swanton...J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. J. Sinclair
W. Bro. Geo. Florence
W. Bro. R. C. Kirk

W. Bro. N. B. MacTaggart
W. Bro. A. Sandilands
W. Bro. E. J. Vickery

JUBILEE LODGE NO. 147:

Bro. N. A. Brown....S.W.
Bro. M. R. Fargey....J.W.

W. Bro. W. J. Brown
W. Bro. K. W. Heaps
W. Bro. J. D. Houston
W. Bro. Dr. J. Onhauser
W. Bro. R. T. White

SEVEN OAKS LODGE NO. 148:

W. Bro. Geo. McBain.....M.
Bro. A. Collicutt.....S.W.

R.W. Bro. F. W. Brownell
W. Bro. H. A. Chowne
W. Bro. Jas. Love
W. Bro. Malcolm McDonald
W. Bro. A. C. Pritchard
W. Bro. S. J. Scott

CARTWRIGHT LODGE NO. 150:

W. Bro. L. H. Richards ....M.

W. Bro. A. B. Fee
W. Bro. W. H. Newton

THE DORMER LODGE NO. 151:

W. Bro. D. F. S. Reid.....M.
Bro. Sydney Smith...S.W.

R.W. Bro. Rev. H. Sherstone
V.W. Bro. Jas. Buchan
W. Bro. J. Elder
W. Bro. A. E. Longstaffe
W. Bro. F. Redgwell
W. Bro. R. W. Ross

FOXWARREN LODGE NO. 152:

W Bro. F. W. Tammadge

FLIN FLON LODGE NO. 153:

W. Bro. E. E. Foster
W. Bro. R. S. Jones

PINE FALLS LODGE NO. 154:

W. Bro. Geo. Dawson.....M.

W. Bro. Wm. Bird
W. Bro. E. J. Kahle
W. Bro. E. F. Tanner

CARMAN LODGE NO. 155:

W. Bro. W. M. Duncan.....M.
Bro. M. Dorfman.....J.W.

R.W. Bro. N. R. Pickell
W. Bro. Wm. Reid

MANITOUWAPA LODGE NO. 156:

W. Bro. Thos. Gelmon

OPENING OF GRAND LODGE

The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Bro. J. J. Henderson, accompanied by Past Grand Masters, and Grand Lodge Officers, entered the Lodge Room in procession, the brethren singing, "O Brother Man".

Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form at 8.15 p.m. Prayer being offered by R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Chaplain. The brethern then sang "O God our Help in Ages Past".

After Grand Lodge was opened, the Most Worshipful Grand Master invited all Master Masons in waiting, to enter, and gave them a cordial welcome to all sessions of the Grand Lodge.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Our Distinguished Guests were announced and presented at the Altar:

Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

M.W. Bro. Chauncey C. Colton, Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Gustav Widell, Past Grand Master
R.W. Bro. William B. Sturtz, Deputy Grand Master
V.W. Bro. W. B. Congdon, Grand Pursuivant
Presented by M. W. Bro. John T. Boyd.

Grand Lodge of North Dakota:

M.W. Bro. Mark Forkner, Past Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Charles M. Pollock, Past Grand Master
Presented by M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence.

Grand Lodge of Alberta:

M.W. Bro. Samuel Harris, Grand Master
Presented by M.W. Bro. Dr. D. S. Woods.

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan:

R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary
Presented by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black.

Grand Honors were accorded our Distinguished Guests and our Most Worshipful Grand Master welcomed them, and addressed them as follows:

With radio and press constantly reminding us of the devastation wrought by modern warfare, it is a happy privilege to welcome you, our Distinguished Guests and accredited representatives of our Sister Grand Jurisdictions of Canada and the United States, to the Sixty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba

In September, 1851, Wesley Bond and Governor Ramsay of the Territory of Minnesota came to the Red River Community in order that they might see it for themselves.

On ariving this is what Mr. Bond wrote in his diary:

"As I saw thee today, so shall I always see thee and to the latest hour of my existence thy beauties will, to my mind's eye at least, remain indelibly printed. I feel satisfied that, though absent thousands of weary miles my thoughts will always dwell on Red River with rapturous emotion."

On the following evening he wrote:

"Saturday 20th.—Cloudy, raw and cold most of the day; very unpleasant out of doors, but as my time is precious I paid no attention to it. What is wind or weather to a man who never expects to get to Red River in his life again, a whole month's march of twenty miles per day to the west of sundown, by which I mean St. Paul?"

He later expresses his reluctance to depart:

"Amid all my wanderings over this earth of ours, I have never been more kindly treated, nor made the friendship of more whole-souled people. I have never in so short a time beocme so much attached to any place, nor left any place with such keen regret."

Seventeen years later, Charles Mair gives us the following glimpse of a dinner party in Fort Garry:

"We had a pleasant stay in Fort Garry, and received all sorts of entertainment. They live like princes here. Just fancy what we had at a dinner party! Oyster soup, white fish, roast prairie chicken, green peas, tomatoes stewed, and stewed gooseberries, plum pudding, blanc-mange, raisins, nuts of all kinds, coffee, port and sherrie, brandy punch and cigars, concluding with whist until four o'clock A.M. There is a dinner for you, in the heart of the Continent, with Indian skin lodges within a stone throw!"

Brethren, it is true that the Indian skin lodges have disappeared from our thoroughfares. It is also true that the roast Prairie chicken, port and sherry and brandy punch have disappeared from our banquet tables, but let me assure you that the warmth of the welcome in the heart of the Continent has not diminished since those far off days.

When the time comes for you to depart, may you be able to say with Mr. Bond, that amid all your wanderings you have never been more kindly treated, nor made the friendship of more whole-souled people. And we will be saying: "Will ye no' come back again."

I extend to you, one and all, a warm and hearty welcome. We shall be looking forward with pleasure, to a message from each of you, some time tomorrow.

"Most Worshipful Brothers, will you kindly conduct our distinguished Brethren to the Grand East."

PRESENTATION OF THE FLAGS

W. Bro. Sydney Foreman (4) bearing the Union Jack. W. Bro. James Wardrope (121) bearing the Stars and Stripes were received and the flags were presented at the Altar, and the brethren sang the following National Hymns: "God Save the King", "America", and the "International Hymn". The flags were then placed in the East.

ADOPTING REGULATIONS

On motion of R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert (1), the regulations for conducting Grand Lodge were adopted as printed in the programme.

READING OF MINUTES

On motion of W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. Frank Dart (93), the Minutes of the Sixty-fifth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, and the Special Communication held at Flin Flon on the 12th of September, 1940, having been printed in the Annual Proceedings, were taken as read, and adopted.

RECEIVING GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Alabama ..... R.W. Bro. F. H. Dagg
Alberta ..... R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr
Alpina (Switzerland) ..... V.W. Bro. W. C. Birt
Arkansas ..... V.W. Bro. J. D. Harrower
British Columbia ..... R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset
Canada (in Ontario) ..... M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
Chili ..... M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
Colorado ..... W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
Connecticut ..... R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
Costa Rica ..... R.W. Bro. R. McKenzie
Denmark ..... R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
District of Columbia ..... R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon
England ..... M.W. Bro. Hon. Jus. W.J. Major
France, N.G.L. ..... R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter
Georgia ..... R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell
Honduras ..... R.W. Bro. A. J. Cowan
Illinois ..... R.W. Bro. W. R. Leslie
Indiana ..... R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood
Ireland ..... M.W. Bro. J. T. Boyd
Kansas ..... M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller
Kentucky ..... R.W. Bro. J. L. Lawson
Louisiana ..... R.W. Bro. C. E. Cole
Maine ..... R.W. Bro. W. D. Harper
Maryland ..... R.W. Bro. N. McDougall
Mexico, York G.L. ..... R.W. Bro. M. A. Nitikman
Michigan ..... R.W. Bro. Dr. O. S. Ross
Minnesota ..... R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker
Mississippi ..... M.W. Bro. G. N. Jackson
Missouri ..... R.W. Bro. Maris H. Garton
Montana ..... R.W. Bro. M. S. Watson
Nebraska ..... R.W. Bro. Hugh Mackenzie
Netherlands ..... M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin
Nevada ..... R.W. Bro. T. A. Argue
New Brunswick ..... R.W. Bro. Canon G. R. Calvert
New Hampshire ..... M.W. Bro. George Hunter
New Mexico ..... R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
New South Wales ..... M.W. Bro. Jas. Mackie
New York ..... R.W. Bro. Rev. G. A. Woodside
New Zealand ..... R.W. Bro. Samuel Burland
North Dakota ..... R.W. Bro. J. Frank Dart
Nova Scotia ..... M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods
Ohio ..... W. Bro. A. E. Boyle
Oklahoma ..... V.W. Bro. H. M. Smith
Oregon ..... M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson
Philippine Islands ..... R.W. Bro. Rev. J. S. Miller
Rhode Island ..... R.W. Bro. J. R. Stalker
Saskatchewan ..... R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess

Scotland	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
South Carolina	R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer
South Dakota	M.W. Bro. Thos. Stockdale
Tennessee	M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing
Texas	V.W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick
Utah	R.W. Bro. D. MacDonald
Vermont	R.W. Bro. Dr. F. K. Purdie
Virginia	M.W. Bro. Harry Woods
Washington	R.W. Bro. G. R. McKay
West Virginia	M.W. Bro. Wm. Fenwick

The Grand Representation brought fraternal greetings from their respective Grand Jurisdictions, were received with Grand Honors. The M.W. Grand Master then addressed them:

"The world-wide solidarity of Freemasonry is beautifully exemplified in this most impressive ceremony. A Dictator may abolish Official Freemasonry from the territory over which he holds sway, but he can never abolish it from the hearts of men.

It is a delight to me to receive and acknowledge the fraternal greetings you bring from our sister Grand Jurisdictions. The suppression of Freemasonry, in many European Jurisdictions. can never break the cement of brotherly love which binds togther the whole mass throughout all the world. I feel confident that, even in the Countries temporarily dominated by the three ruffians, the mystic tie will stand the test; and when these brothers are liberated, they will join hands with free men everywhere, in building a more beautiful structure than this world has known heretofore.

This ceremony always reminds me of the words of the Psalmist: "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!"

I would ask you, my brethren, to kindly convey to your respective Grand Jurisdictions our sincere appreciation of your presence at this Communication, together with our kindest fraternal greetings and hearty good wishes."

M.W. Bro. Hon. Justice W. J. Major (25), on behalf of the Grand Representatives, acknowledged the kindly greetings of the M.W. Grand Master in a few well chosen remarks.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons:

By the Grace of God and through the devotion to duty and the sacrifice of those who have thrown themselves into the struggle against the powers of evil, I have the pleasure and the very great privilege of welcoming you, each and every one, to this, the Sixty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

This is your Grand Lodge. You have come here of your own free will and accord, and at your own expense. This is proof to me that you are desirous of promoting the best interests of Freemasonry and all it stands for. In the building of the Temple of Freemasonry there is work for all who are willing to labor, and let me assure you, the reward exceeds that of gold or silver or precious stones.

In extending a welcome, therefore, I am doing so, much as a father extends a welcome to his children when they return to the old home. To those who have been in Grand Lodge year after year, they come anticipating just such a welcome. From experience, I would say that none of the sincerity of the welcome is lost because of repetition. It would not be home without it.

To the younger members who are here for the first time, I trust that the welcome you receive, in this Temple of peace, harmony and brotherly love, will give you a deep-rooted desire to return to each succeeding Annual Communication. May the moral, intellectual and spiritual nourishment obtained, while participating in the deliberations of this Grand Lodge, help you, the better, to display the beauties of Freemasonry to your brethren and to every individual with whom you come in contact.

To the Master Masons, we extend a very special welcome. While you are not permitted to take part in the deliberations of this Grand Lodge, your interest in Freemasonry has been proven by your presence. Such interest

will, no doubt, result in your attendance here as members of Grand Lodge in the not too distant future.

One of the joys of being Grand Master of this Grand Jurisdiction is found in the loyal and entirely unselfish encouragement and support one receives from the entire membership. I acknowledge, with gratitude, the co-operation I have received from the Past Grand Masters, the officers and members of this Grand Lodge. This support has been given cheerfully and always with the suggestion implied, if not stated, that their greatest happiness was to be found in serving. Others have spoken of the loyalty of their appointed officers. This loyalty has been demonstrated in a very practical manner during my term. Certain appointed officers accompanied me on nearly all of my official visits, covering hundreds of miles, at their own expense, in order that they might give to their Grand Master every assistance in their power.

The companionship and the very kindly constructive criticism of the Grand Secretary, who accompanied me on all of my official visits, will remain with me as a beautiful memory. This Grand Lodge owes a debt of gratitude to M.W. Bro. Harry Woods for his devotion to duty. With the exception of Flin Flon and The Pas, he too, accompanied me on my tour of the Jurisdiction. The intellectual benefits of Freemasonry have been kept in the forefront by his presentation, at all District Meetings of the value to be derived from a more extensive use of the Masonic Library.

The quality of character and intellectual endowments of my predecessors have insured that election to the position of Grand Master of this Grand Jurisdiction is equivalent to providing him with a passport to the realm of ideal citizenship whether within or without the Craft.

To adequately express appreciation for such distinction is something beyond words. It is most fittingly demonstrated in the effort put forth in serving the brethren. In this regard, I have given you the best I had, and the brethren throughout

the Jurisdiction have been pleased to accept it as such. The responsibilities are extremely heavy, but to serve this Jurisdiction has been a pleasure and privilege. To you, my beloved brethren one and all, my sincere thanks.

"The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong, that they come to four score years; yet is their strength then but labor and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone."

During the session the Committee on Fraternal Dead will present a comprehensive report, but I consider it my solemn duty to record here the names of a few of those Masonic noblemen who have passed to their reward during the year just ended.

On Sunday morning, September 22, 1940, M.W. Bro. Andrew Browning Baird, D.D., Grand Master of this Grand Lodge in 1922-23, was translated to the Grand Lodge above. He lived to within a few days of his 85th birthday. During his long life he had the happiness that comes to those who serve their God and their fellow-men. His happy chuckle, his warm hand-clasp, his wise counsel, his sweet reasonableness, his valued friendship, and his uplifting influence will long be remembered within the Craft. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

On January 29, 1941, M.W. Bro. Benjamin Reis, M.D. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo, Brazil, passed away. He was born on April 5, 1881. We cannot speak of him from personal knowledge, but we do know he must have been a good man and a good Mason to have received the distinction he did from his Grand Lodge. Our sympathy goes out to the brethren of this distant Grand Jurisdiction in the loss of their Grand Master.

I note with regret the passing of the following Past Grand Masters of other Grand Jurisdictions:

M.W. Bro. Arthur Stirling Gorrell, of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan who died at his home in the City of Regina,

on Monday, June 3, 1940. He was a fluent, forceful speaker and was an authority in all things Masonic. He was Grand Master during the year I served as Master of my mother Lodge in Saskatchewan. In every sense he was a man and a Mason.

M.W. Bro. Martin Luther Grimmett, and M.W. Bro. James Sutherland Henderson, D.D., of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia. M.W. Bro. Walter S. Fenton of the Grand Lodge of Vermont. M.W. Bro. Frank H. Sprague, Grand Master, North Dakota, 1914-15. Our deep sympathy is extended also to the brethren of these Grand Jurisdictions.

"They are not dead. Such souls forever live
In boundless measure of the love they give."

Words from our Burial Service seem most appropriate at this time:

"As we pause to thank Thee, Almighty and everlasting God, for the lives of these, our brethern, we devotedly beseech Thee to quicken us who are still in our pilgrimage, and teach us so to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. Whatever our hand findeth to do, may we do it with all our might, knowing that there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom in the grave whither we go. Inspire in us such trust in God and such measure of that charity which rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth, that we may secure Thy Commendation. Let Thy Fatherly care and protection be over those who are bereaved. Remember them, O Lord, in mercy and supply all their wants. May the G.A.O.T.U. be our strength in weakness, our Light in darkness, and our life in death."

An adequate summary of the condition of Freemasonry, material, moral and spiritual, will be presented to you through the reports of officers of the Board of General Purposes, and of the Standing and Special Committees of the Board. I shall therefore confine myself to reporting my official acts and submitting a general review on the condition of Freemasonry in this Grand Jurisdiction, based on my personal observations.

I have read with particular interest the notices received from the Secretaries of Lodges and have appreciated the

desire to make these notices attractive. When there is little work to do, some Secretaries are resourceful enough to fill blank space with a beautiful thought expressed in verse. This is without a doubt better than leaving it a plain sheet.

During my year I recommended the appointment of the following Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions near this Grand Lodge:

R.W. Bro. Robert Peel .....Grand Lodge of North Carolina
M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence. Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario)
V.W. Bro. Jas D. Harrower .Grand Lodge of Arkansas
R.W. Bro. M. S. Watson .. Grand Lodge of Montana
V.W. Bro. Harry M. Smith . Grand Lodge of Oklahoma
V.W. Bro. Geo. V. Henderson Grand Lodge of Porto Rico
V.W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick. .Grand Lodge of Texas
R.W. Bro. O. S. Ross, M.D.. .Grand Lodge of Michigan
R.W. Bro. D. MacDonald .... Grand Lodge of Utah

Believing Freemasonry to be one of the greatest factors in promoting and maintaining cordial relations, not only nationally but internationally, and realizing how much this is to be desired at the present time, I obtained, not only the consent of the brethren recommended for these appointments but their assurance that, if such recommendation was confirmed they would, to the best of their ability, fulfil the duties of that office. I stressed to them the desirability of visiting the Grand Jurisdiction they represented, and three of them have stated their intention of doing so at the first opportunity.

In June, 1925, I visited the Grand Lodge of Oregon, one year after I was appointed its Grand Representative. This has been one of the happiest contacts I have made, and during the years following that visit, the Grand Jurisdiction of Oregon has seemed much like a Mother Grand Lodge to me. I recommend to all Grand Representatives that they visit the Grand Jurisdiction they represent if they can, at any time, find it convenient to do so.

It was my pleasant duty to present (or in case of non-residence to have presented) the Fifty-year Grand Lodge Jewel to the following brethren during the year:

W. Bro. Joseph Hyde, Assiniboine Lodge No. 7. Initiated into Assiniboine Lodge No 7 on 19th November, 1890. Passed on 21st January, 1891. Raised on 18th February, 1891. Elected Master of the Lodge in 1931. Jewel presented at a meeting of Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, held on 27th of December, 1940.

W. Bro. Frank Dobbs, Shoal Lake Lodge No. 92. Initiated in Corinthian Lodge No. 15 on 4th January, 1887. Passed on 5th April, 1887. Raised on 7th June, 1887. Demitted on 7th February, 1888. Charter member of Shoal Lake Lodge No 92. Elected Master in 1908. Jewel presented at his residence, 697 McMillan Ave., Winnipeg, on June 5th, 1940, by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence and myself.

Bro. Joseph E. Johnson, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3. Initiated in Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, on 19th December, 1887. Passed on 23rd July, 1888. Raised on 8th July, 1889. Now living at Redondo Beach, California. The Jewel is to be presented through the Grand Lodge of California.

Bro. Frank M. Morgan, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3. Initiated in Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3 on 10th February, 1890. Passed on 19th May, 1890. Raised on 23rd June, 1890. Now living in Vancouver. The Jewel to be presented through the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

Bro. Thomas R. McLeod, St. John's Lodge No. 4. Ininitiated in St. John's Lodge No. 4 on 6th September,1882. Passed on 1st November,1882. Raised on 24th April, 1883 Now living in Vancouver. The Jewel to be presented through the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

V.W. Bro. Henry L. Deakin, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1. Initiated in Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1 on 17th March, 1891. Passed on 21st April, 1891. Raised on 26th May, 1891. Elected Master in 1903. Grand Deacon in 1913. Now Chaplain of King's Heath Lodge No. 3863, Birmingham, England. Jewel presented in King's Heath Lodge.

Bro. William A. McKee, Deloraine Lodge No. 40. Initiated in Deloraine Lodge No. 40, on 2nd April, 1890. Passed on 30th July, 1890. Raised on 27th August, 1890.

Bro. Robert A. Williamson, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3. Initiated in Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3 on

10th November, 1890. Passed on 12th January, 1891. Raised on 9th February, 1891.

Grand Lodge of Canada (In Ontario).
Bro. Fred Endress, Washington Lodge No. 260, Petrolia, Ontario.

The circle of old friends becomes narrower for our veterans year by year and they deeply appreciate this kind gesture on the part of Grand Lodge. These brothers have been among the pioneers of Freemasonry in Manitoba and we today are reaping the benefit of their labor of love. Our best wishes are extended to them, and we hope and trust they may long be spared to grace our gatherings with the dignity and wisdom that come from rich experience in a long and useful life.

"There is ever a spark in a veteran's heart,
Which keeps love's embers aglow,
And a warmth in the clasp of a veteran's hand
Which the world can never know."

One year ago, when I was installed as your Grand Master, I told you that my constant prayer would be: "O Lord give me an understanding heart to discern between right and wrong, that I may be able to lead this, Thy so great a people." To me, the answer seems to be just this: "What doth the Lord require of thee but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God." Or in other familiar words, "Judge with candor, admonish with firmness and reprehend with mercy."

My first official act was to have a dispensation issued to my adopted Mother Lodge Miniota No. 102, to attend Divine Worship. My second act was to join them in that service on June 9th and, amid familiar surroundings, and in the presence of my old friends and brothers to ask the guidance of the G.A.O.T.U. on my year's work.

It was my happy privilege to visit three Sister Grand Jurisdictions during my term. The first of these was on June 12th, when with the Grand Secretary, I visited the Grand Lodge of Alberta in Edmonton. There is an atmos-

phere in this Grand Lodge that is captivating from the moment one enters it. The sincerity of the welcome extended makes one feel very much at home and leaves him with a strong desire to return whenever occasion may permit.

On examining the records in the Grand Secretary's Office in Winnipeg, I discovered that M.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, was fifty years a Mason on the day he addressed us in Grand Lodge, June 5, 1940. I therefore had one of our Veteran's Jewels engraved, and had the great pleasure of presenting it to him while extending the fraternal greetings of this Grand Jurisdiction at Edmonton. When M.W. Bro. Kemmis was Initiated, his Lodge was under the Grand Jurisdiction of Manitoba and only became separated from Manitoba when Alberta Grand Lodge was instituted on October 12, 1905. During that time he had served as D.D.G.M. of the Tenth Masonic District, Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

Immediately following the opening of the Alberta Communication, Lieutenant-Governor Bowen (himself a brother Mason) was received in form by the Grand Master. Before he was called upon to address Grand Lodge, a resolution was unanimously adopted making a donation of $5,000.00 to the Dominion Government for War purposes, and another donation amounting to $2,500.00 was allocated to the United Grand Lodge of England towards the expense of operating their hospitals in the care of wounded soldiers. Evidently the brethren of Alberta believe that actions speak louder than words.

In his address, the Lieutenant-Governor thanked the brethren most sincerely for their manifestations of loyalty to our King and Queen, which he was sure would be greatly appreciated by them.

M.W. Bro. George Moore, Grand Master, delivered an outstanding address and his ability as a presiding officer left nothing to be desired.

On June 19th, it was my privilege to carry the greetings of this Grand Lodge to my Mother Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. R.W. Bro. Russell, being somewhat indisposed, was unable to accompany me on this occasion. The arrangements for the comfort of your Grand Master and the hearty welcome given him demonstrated the affection in which their Mother Jurisdiction is held. I express my deep appreciation of the courtesy and kindness shown me by M.W. Bro. H. M. Underhill, Grand Master, and all those associated with him. I am still a member of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, and I was proud of my Grand Master. As a token of friendship he presented me with a souvenir of the King's visit which I shall always prize.

On January 15, 1941, I visited the Grand Lodge of Minnesota in St. Paul, accompanied by R.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, D.G.M., Past Grand Masters, M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd, M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt, M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence and the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell.

Some of the distinguished visitors from other Grand Jurisdictions were M.W. Bro. Hall, G.M. South Dakota; M.W. Bro. Naylor, G.M. North Dakota; and M.W. Bro. Stine, G.M. Wisconsin. This was one of the most delightful Masonic experiences I have had. In expressing my deep appreciation for the splendid arrangements which were made for our comfort and entertainment, I wish especially to extend thanks to the Grand Master and M.W. Bro. Matson, who seemed to regard your Grand Master as his special charge during my short but very happy stay in St. Paul.

The friendship that exists between the Grand Jurisdictions of Manitoba and Minnesota is a very real thing, and has in my opinion, been greatly strengthened by our fraternal visits. The unanimity of our two great nations, sent me back home with new courage and with the firm belief that no matter what experiences we may have in the days to come, nothing could or would defeat the purpose of our two democracies to preserve righteousness, truth and freedom for ourselves and for our children.

Owing to other arrangements. I was unable to accept the very kind invitation of M.W. Bro. Dan De Baugh, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, to be present at its Centennial Communication. I was most fortunate in having M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd represent me. In reporting to me, M.W. Bro. Boyd said: "It was with sincere appreciation I received your request to visit the Centennial meeting of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, and act as your personal representative. I was accompanied by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas and what I now write is a brief summary of our combined experiences:"

"A Centennial Communication of a Grand Lodge is an unusual event on this Continent because a hundred years ago so much of the Western World was the happy hunting ground of the aborigines.

"The arrangements for the reception and care of the visitors from outside Jurisdictions were complete, and we were taken in hand from the moment we stepped inside the rotunda of the Hotel Sherman. The entire programme including the Communication of the Grand Lodge was carried out under the same roof.

"Promptly at 9:00 a.m. on October 8th, the Session opened with the Band of the Illinois Orphan's Home in a programme of music which carried on for an hour.

"The Ceremonial opening of the Annual Communication took place at 10:00 a.m. and the first event was introducing their Distinguished Guests, representing 27 different Grand Lodges including five brethren from Canada. The representatives from the Dominion consisted of two from the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario), one from Saskatchewan and your two Manitobans.

"We were introduced by the M.W. Grand Master, Dan De Baugh and officially received by his Deputy Grand Master, Bro. K. H. Mohr, who in part said:

" 'In this hour of triumphant celebration our thoughts

go in love and sympathy to those Masons of Canada and the Mother Grand Lodge who are now fighting for their very lives amidst a reign of terror unprecedented in the annals of history. Let me say your presence makes this a privileged occasion. We shall always treasure your coming to our Anniversary, and we cherish this opportunity of making you a part of it.'

"The response on behalf of the visitors was made by the Deputy Grand Master of Massachusetts, the Senior Grand Lodge represented.

"The highlight of the after-dinner programme of speeches was the deliverance by the Grand Chaplain, Bro. John B. Hubbard, part of whose address we quote:

" 'You remember there were two young men, two thousand years ago, who were very close friends. One of them professed his love for the other and said he would even die for his friend. His friend went out one night into the garden to meditate. He was arrested and this friend of his, who said he would die for him, ran away and followed him afar off. Peter was not there when the crisis arrived.

" 'Where are you going to be when the hour comes? What are we going to do? Are we going to have the marvellous spirit, the Esprit de Corps, and the courage that Great Britain is showing? Are we going to hike for the cyclone cellars of our own selfishness and our own safety? What are we going to do in the days that lie ahead in meeting the great challenge that lies before us?' "

"The two references quoted in this report are indicative of the attitude of our brethren of the United States, and are a fair average of their outlook upon the International scene."

My sincere appreciation goes out to M.W. Bro. Boyd and M.W. Bro. Douglas for the service rendered this Grand Jurisdiction by attending the celebration in Chicago.

The Annual International gathering of Masons at Lake Metigoshe, N.D., was called for July 14, 1940, but owing to

changes in passport regulations it had to be postponed. It appeared for a time that it would be impossible to hold such a meeting, but our grand old Brother Judge G. Grimson of Rugby, N.D., overcame all the difficulties and a final appeal to the President brought the desired result. The restrictions were modified so that no passports were necessary. The picnic was held on August 4th, when, to quote the Pierce County Tribune of Rugby, N.D.—"Three hundred Americans and almost one hundred Canadians attending the Sixth Annual International Picnic on Masonic Island, Lake Metigoshe, last Sunday, heartily applauded the message to the gathering received from President Roosevelt.

In a letter to Judge G. Grimson, Stephen Early, Secretary to the President wrote: "The President has asked me to extend his hearty greetings to all who attend the International Picnic on Masonic Island on August fourth. He hopes the gathering will be an enjoyable event and one which will further cement the friendly relations which have always prevailed between our people and our neighbors to the North."

In a perfect setting under the shade of some of the oldest trees in North Dakota the exercises opened with a religious service, led by Rev. L. R. Burgum, Fargo, assisted by Rev. George R. Calvert, Winnipeg.

The theme of friendly relations between United States and Canada, and of the duty of the citizens of both countries to assist in maintaining the freedom of their democracies, prevailed throughout the fine addresses given. Among the speakers were Gov. John Moses; J. J. Henderson, Shoal Lake, Manitoba; Harry Woods and W. D. Lawrence, Winnipeg; and Dr. J. W. Payne, Crosby.

Prominent Masons were introduced. The Bottineau Band provided music. Hans Thorgrimson led community singing, and sang as a solo, "God Bless America". The gathering closed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne".

It is doubtful if we fully appreciate the benefit to be derived from such good-will International gatherings. It was a most gracious act on the part of President Roosevelt to send (through his Secretary) his hearty greetings, since it suggests the importance he places on any effort to promote more friendly relations, than it is to regain them once they are lost, if indeed they can ever be fully regained. I sincerely hope the practice of meeting on Masonic Island will be continued.

Accompanied by R.W. Bro. Russell, V.W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick and a number of brethren from The Pas, I visited Flin Flon Lodge No. 153, on September 17th. This was a very happy arrangement for me, as it came almost at the beginning of my official visitations in the Jurisdiction.

Any Grand Master seeking inspiration would do well to visit this farthest north Lodge early in his year. Our party was taken out to Beaver Lake, some twenty-five miles distant. From this beautiful summer resort, we were taken by motor boat down this lovely lake. The day was perfect and the scenery a picture never to be forgotten. As an appetizer for the sumptuous banquet awaiting our return, we climbed to the top of a high hill overlooking the lake. From this eminence we were enabled to view the country for miles around. This whole territory appeared as one vast body of water dotted with wooded islands.

I witnessed the E.A. Degree that evening and the work would compare favorably with any Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction. The Masonic Temple built for the most part by the voluntary labor of the brethren themselves is a very fine building. Nothing has been overlooked to make it a convenient and comfortable Lodge home.

The following evening we visited The Pas Lodge No. 124, we were joined by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black. There was no degree work, but the opening and closing as well as the conducting of the business of the Lodge showed thoroughness and efficiency. As in Flin Flon, this Lodge is blessed with a first-class Secretary. The same delightful hospitality

was shown us here as in the Sister Lodge to the north. Besides being driven through the country, shown over the Power-house, the Lumber Mill and other places of interest, several car loads accompanied us to a nearby resort on the shores of Clear Lake. The lime stone formation on the bottom of the lake makes the water crystal clear.

We now take your from the North-west corner of the Jurisdiction to the South-east corner, where, on October 2nd, we visited Sprague Lodge No. 132. At one time Sprague boasted a very thriving lumber industry. The removal of this industry was a severe blow to the community. On our arrival we found very comfortable quarters awaiting us and a sincere and hearty welcome. The work of the Lodge was not as skilfully conducted as in the other two we have just reviewed but the spirit of Freemasonry was very much the same. Letters read by the Secretary revealed that in the hour of sorrow, practical help, comfort and consolation had been extended to those bereaved.

The ladies stayed late to provide a banquet second to none to be found anywhere. The toast list included a toast to the President of the United States, in honor of the very fine delgation present from nearby towns in Minnesota.

The greater part of the fraternal contacts in Sprague are with these brothers, and they like so many border lodges, are helping to maintain the wonderful spirit of friendship which exists between our two great countries. They have a very competent Secretary and records are well kept. This Lodge is filling a real need in the Community, and we hope that it may continue to carry on the good work. Some of the Lodges on the Eastern border of the Eighth Masonic District could perform a real service by paying a visit to Sprague Lodge during the summer months.

The Grand Master is brought into personal contact with the whole Grand Jurisdiction through the medium of the District meetings. I attended them all and the dates and places of these meetings were as follows:

Fifth District on Sept. 3rd, 1940.....at Shoal Lake
Fourth District on Sept. 23rd, 1940.....at Manitou
Eighth District on Sept. 24th, 1940.....at Roland
Sixth District on Sept. 25th, 1940.....at Elgin
Third District on Sept. 26th, 1940.....At Belmont
Seventh District on Sept. 27th, 1940.....At Virden
Tenth District on Oct. 3rd, 1940....at West Kildonan
Second District on Oct. 4th, 1940..at Portage la Prairie
Ninth District on Oct. 9th, 1940.....at Dauphin
First District on Oct. 19th, 1940.....at Winnipeg
Twelfth District on Feb. 15th, 1940.....at Winnipeg

The attendance at all District meetings exceeded my expectations and the interest was keen. It appeared to me that I had been blessed with a devoted and efficient group of D.D.G.M.'s, all of whom had given thought and time to the planning of these meetings in order that they might prove of real value to the membership. In my opinion, the instruction given to the District Deputy Grand Masters-elect, at a meeting held for that purpose during the Session of Grand Lodge, has been extremely helpful, and I strongly recommend that it be continued.

The courtesy shown, and the reception given, to myself and the officers of this Grand Lodge wherever we went, were to say the least, soul-stirring. I constantly had this thought before me: "God make me worthy of my friends."

For some unknown reason, I imagined I understood the brethren of the country Lodges much better than those in the City, and it was with considerable timidity that I made my debut, as Grand Master, in the centre of Freemasonry in this Province. The kindness, the consideration, the courtesy and the desire to serve your Grand Master in any capacity whatever, have brought the brethren of the city very close to me. I believe I can say without fear of contradiction that in City and Country alike, throughout this Grand Jurisdiction, Freemasonry, in the main is sound, that the heart of Freemasonry beats true, and that every community large or small is the better for having a Masonic Lodge. The brethren of our Lodges, wherever one goes, will be found taking a leading part in all that is highest and best. One day I asked a Corporal of the R.C.M.P. what he

thought it would mean if every man throughout the country not connected with our Order, lived within the law as well as the average Freemason; He said, "It would mean that there would be no R.C.M.P."

The Consecration and Constitution of Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156, took place at Moosehorn on September 4, 1940. Circumstances beyond my control made it impossible for me to officiate on this occasion. M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence kindly consented to act for me and M.W. Bro. Harry Woods installed the officers. They were assisted by brethren who accompanied them from Winnipeg.

It was very pleasing for me to meet the Master of Manitouwapa Lodge at the Tenth Masonic District Meeting in West Kildonan, he having travelled 124 miles to be present or 248 miles for the round trip.

I sincerely regret that I was unable to go to Moosehorn for the ceremony just mentioned, but with M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence in charge, it was in very capable hands. My thanks to him and to those who assisted him.

In addition to my visits to the Lodges under the direct supervision of the Grand Master, the District Meetings and to Sister Grand Jurisdictions, the following Constituent Lodges were visited:

July 15th, Strathclair Lodge No 106, at Strathclair.
July 21st, Elkhorn Lodge No. 74 at Elkhorn (Funeral of W. Bro. Cryderman).
August 12th, Strathclair Lodge No. 106, at Strathclair.
October 1st, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114, at Winnipeg.
October 8th, Russell Lodge No. 62, at Russell.
October 10th, Prince of Wales Lodge No. 14, at Minnedosa.
October 14th, Strathclair Lodge No 106, at Strathclair (Social Evening).
October 29th, Hamiota Lodge No. 84, at Hamiota (Farewell to W. Bro. McNaught).
December 27th, Assiniboine Lodge No 7, at Portage la Prairie.
March 20th, Shoal Lake Lodge No. 92, at Shoal Lake.

April 17th, Northern Light Lodge No. 10, at Winnipeg.
May 13th, Brandon Lodge No. 19, at Brandon (Tweed Lodge No. 113 joining).
May 22nd, Miniota Lodge No. 102, at Miniota.
June 3rd, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114, at Winnipeg.

In addition I attended Divine Service with the brethren at the following points:

June 9th, Miniota Lodge No. 102, at Miniota.
June 16th, Fifth Masonic District, at Shoal Lake.
June 23rd, Prince of Wales Lodge No. 14, at Minnedosa.
June 23rd, Gladstone Lodge No. 11, at Gladstone.
October 27th, Strathclair Lodge No. 106, at Strathclair.
November 10th, Seventh Masonic District, Pro-Cathedral, Brandon.
November 17th, Service of Witness and Dedication, Auditorium, Winnipeg.
February 9th, First Masonic District, St. Matthew's Church, Winnipeg.
May 18th, Corinthian Lodge No 15, at Rapid City.

I took one of these services myself, and assisted in six others.

Having promised to attend "Manitoba Night" in St. John's Lodge No. 4, Winnipeg, it was with sincere regret that I was forced to break that promise owing to illness.

When not absent on official duties I attended all the meetings of Shoal Lake Lodge No. 92, but only mention, in the above list, my official visit to this Lodge. I moved to Shoal Lake while I was Deputy Grand Master and I shall always remember with gratitude the kindly reception given me and the willingness of the brethren there to assist me in every way possible.

My official duties have taken me over a distance of 9,493 miles.

On June 16, 1940, I asked the chairman of the Board of General Purposes, R.W. Bro. G. R. Calvert to ascertain from the Board at its next meeting, if it would feel disposed

to make a direct contribution of $5,000.00, out of the funds of Grand Lodge, and present this to the Dominion Government for War Effort. This was unanimously passed and I was asked to forward it. On June 28, 1940, I wrote the Prime Minister as follows:

Shoal Lake, Man., June 28th, 1940.

The Right Hon. W. L. MacKenzie King,
Prime Minister of Canada,
Ottawa, Ont.

Right Hon. and Dear Prime Minister:

Realizing something of the great responsibility being carried by yourself, Right Hon, Sir, and the members of your Government, in this, the most critical period in the history of our beloved Empire, and with a sincere desire to uphold the hands of our Government in its war effort, the Freemasons of Manitoba have authorized me, as their Grand Master, to forward to you a cheque for $5,000.00 which you will find enclosed and which is made payable to your Minister of Finance.

There never was a time when unity of effort was so essential, and the enclosed gift is but a slight expression of the undivided support which may be expected from the members of the Craft in this Jurisdiction. The ideals, for which our Nation is now bending all its strength to uphold and maintain, are very dear to the heart of every Freemason. With unbounded faith in God, and a firm belief that we are on His side in this Great struggle, for truth and righteousness, we can go forward to victory without fear, knowing that one with God is a majority.

It was with profound regret that we learned recently of the passing of your Minister of Defence, the Hon. Norman Rogers, and we take this opportunity of extending to you personally and to the members of your Government our deep sympathy.

Again I wish to express the undivided loyalty and devotion of the members of the Masonic Order in Manitoba.

I have the honor to be, Right Honorable Sir:

Your obedient servant,
J. J. HENDERSON.
Grand Master.

The following are copies of the replies I received.

Office of the Clerk of the Privy Council
Ottawa, Ont., July 2nd, 1940.

J. J. Henderson, Esq., Grand Master,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.,
Shoal Lake, Manitoba.

Dear Mr. Henderson:

The Prime Minister has asked me to acknowledge, immediately, on his behalf, your letter of June 28th enclosing the cheque of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M. for $5,000.00 to the order of the Minister of Finance, as a contribution to Canada's War Effort.

Mr. King has asked me to express to you, and through you to the Freemasons of Manitoba, the warm thanks and appreciation of his colleagues and himself, for this generous and patriotic gift. Such a spontaneous and free gift as that which your Lodge has made to the common cause, is most heartening to the Government at this critical time. Mr. King has also asked me to thank you sincerely for the expression of undivided loyalty.

The Prime Minister wishes you to know that he and his colleagues appreciate the sympathetic reference which you have made to the passing of the late Minister of National Defence.

Yours very truly,
A. J. P. HEENEY,
Clerk of the Privy Council.

Office of the Prime Minister of Canada
Ottawa, July 6th, 1940.

J. J. Henderson, Esq., Grand Master,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.,
Shoal Lake, Manitoba.

Dear Mr. Henderson:

I have already asked the Clerk of the Privy Council to acknowledge receipt of your letter, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., together with a cheque for Five Thousand Dollars.

I should like to add that my colleagues and I are very grateful for this generous and patriotic contribution to the war effort

of our country and our Commonwealth at a time when the best efforts of our citizens are necessary to ensure the freedom of our nation and our people. The knowledge that our citizens are making such splendid voluntary contributions of their service and resources is most enheartening to the Government and is an encouraging assurance that we shall emerge from the present struggle with our liberty intact.

Yours sincerely,
(Sgd.) W. L. MACKENZIE KING.

Copies of a report made to the Board of General Purposes of Grand Lodge on June 5, 1940, and adopted by Grand Lodge, together with a recommendation made to the Board of General Purposes at its meeting on the 20th of September, 1940, and adopted by it, have been distributed to you through your Lodge, by the Committee on War Effort. In fact, the information given to you by this Committee has been complete, and it is quite unnecessary for me to go into detail; as you know, the nature of our War Effort is of a threefold character:

1st. Service of Witness and Dedication.
2nd. Raising a fund of Fifty Thousand Dollars.
3rd. Caring for evacuee children from Great Britain.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and to depart from evil is understanding.

The Service of Witness and Dedication was held in the Civic Auditorium, Winnipeg, on Sunday, November 17, 1940, and unquestionably was one of the greatest Masonic gatherings in the history of the Dominion. In addition to the hundreds of our brethren, who filled the Winnipeg Civic Auditorium to capacity, there were thousands more in every part of the West who participated by means of their radio. Personally I have never witnessed such an inspiring sight as that great Auditorium packed with men from every part of this province, from the farthest north to the United States boundary, from Saskatchewan to the Ontario border. We all assembled in the presence of Almighty God to offer our worship, praise and thanksgiving; to make confession of our sins; to pray, as well for others as for ourselves, that we might know more truly the great-

ness of God's love and shew forth in our lives the fruits of His Grace; and to ask on behalf of all men such things as their well-being doth require; to publicly confess our faith in God and His righteousness, and pray that we fail not to be worthy of the highest traditions of Freemasonry.

My personal thanks are due to all who contributed to the making of this service the most helpful and inspiring contribution to Freemasonry in our Grand Jurisdiction. I know that your generosity will permit me to make special mention of the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. George R. Calvert, who delivered the address; the Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. P. T. Pilkey, who arranged the order of Service and led in the prayers; the Grand Organist, V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon, Choirmaster, who assembled and trained a choir of brother Masons, and the very capable assistance given him by Bro. Fred Walker at the piano.

The unanimity of spirit exemplified in the service seemed to be carried out through space by means of the radio, and immediately letters poured in expressing appreciation and delight. I shall always cherish the sentiments expressed in these letters. While it would be unwise to single out individual letters for special mention, there was one that touched me deeply, coming as it did from a grand old Mason in his 89th year. I refer to the one I received from M.W. Bro. Archbishop S. P. Matheson. He said in part:

"I listened with pleasure and interest to the Service of Witness held yesterday by the Grand Lodge and was delighted by it. Among those taking part I recognized only two voices, but it was glorious to hear the volume of men's voices in singing of the hymns. I consider that it was not only a fitting but a beautiful thing to hold such a service at this time when our beloved Order is being attacked by the enemies of religion and freedom. May God continue to bless Freemasonry and keep it true to HIM! When I was Grand Master in 1878-79 I had the painful duty of severing our connection with the Grand Lodge of France when it expunged the name of God from its ritual. France has suffered much from forsaking God. When the effort it made to raise the Masonic contribution referred to, I shall be glad to give my mite towards it."

In order that everyone would understand how much I appreciated their interest in writing, I replied to all the letters I received in connection with this service. It was, without doubt, the crowning achievement of my term. It was made possible by your loyalty and your deep appreciation of the higher and nobler things in life.

In connection with the second phase of our War Effort, contributions had reached the half-way mark in our objective of $50,000.00 at the time of writing. This would suggest to me that we may fall short of our objective.

From the outset I determined not to consent to the raising of such a fund by assessment. I have not changed my mind. We might have collected more money by assessment, but we have the satisfaction of knowing that what has been contributed is an out-and-out free-will offering. That is as it should be in an institution such as Freemasonry. The presentation of this effort by R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker, General Chairman, and M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, Campaign Chairman, on behalf of the Committee, has been largely responsible for the success of our undertaking.

Those who really grasped the significance of that Service of Witness and realized the urgency of the situation, have responded nobly to the second phase of our War Effort. I can scarcely believe that men of sound judgment and strict morals could fail to grasp the significance, or realize the urgency of the situation, but if there are such, I can only feel sorry for them. If there are any, (and I doubt very much if there are), who can help, and refuse, we do not want their help. Sacrifice must be willing, to be of any real value. If there are those who are really unable to help financially, we would not want to embarrass them by an assessment, or take from them what they really need for themselves. No one can really know the circumstances of his brother Mason. He may have obligations of which the world knows nothing. Be assured, your Grand Master is not the one to condemn any man, either in thought or word. "Judge not that ye be not judged." Rather let the conscience of each man be his judge, and in the case of Freemasons,

men of sound judgment, that conscience will not lead him far astray.

The widow of one of our late Past Masters presented to me the money she had put aside to buy flowers on their wedding anniversary. She said he always brought flowers on that day and she liked to continue the practice in his memory. But, she said, "after listening to that beautiful Service of Witness, I felt that he would appreciate it more if I gave the money to the Masonic War Effort." Brethren such gifts as these are the ones we prize.

In the old Roman Empire, there was a law which compelled a civilian to carry a soldier's equipment one mile if requested to do so. The Great Teacher said: "If he ask thee to go a mile, go with him twain." We can imagine there were those who went that one mile grudgingly. Others would not only go the one mile but would cheerfully volunteer to carry the knapsack another mile, glad of the opportunity to be of assistance. How much better they would both feel!

In our War Effort it is hardly enough to pay the taxes demanded by law. We should, like the widow just referred to, be glad to go the second mile. Whatever the result when we meet in Grand Lodge, I strongly recommend that the effort be continued if necessary until the objective is obtained. If we never give anything, the Government must and will get it. It is not so much the money in itself, as the encouragement and comfort it brings to our suffering brethren, and to all the people of the dear old Motherland, to know, that the Freemasons of Manitoba contributed of their own free will and accord, (and in spite of increased taxes) to the assistance of those who are giving their all, and suffering so much, in order that we may live in peace and have preserved for us and for those who will follow us, everything that Freemasonry holds dear.

The third phase of our War Effort has not been as extensive as we had anticipated. This is due to the fact, that the pressure on the fleet has been so great, that sufficient

power for the protection of these precious human cargoes could not be spared. The response thus far assures me that these little ones will find desirable homes in Canada, if and when homes are required.

Such, my brothers, is the record of my stewardship. I have not achieved as much as I wanted to, but it is doubtful if anyone ever does. Carlyle says "A great man is always sincere, as the first condition of him. But a man need not be great in order to be sincere." I take comfort in that second sentence. I have not been great, but I have been sincere. You have received the best I had every day and hour I could possibly use in your service.

The Grand Master I succeeded set a great example. I was proud to follow his leadership. I am just as proud to hand over the Grand Master's gavel to my successor. He will hold high the torch of Freemasonry during his term, just as he has in the past. To him I say:

"Then here's to your health, old chap; I drink as a bridegroom to his bride,
I leave an unfinished task for you, but God knows how I've tried.
I've dreamed my dreams, as all men do, but never a one came true;
And my prayer today is that all my dreams may be realized in you."

The days following close on my installation were terrible days in our Empire's history. France, our great former ally, the nation that never faltered before Verdun twenty-five years ago, crumbled before the mighty onslaught of German mechanized power. The sudden fall of France brought near-panic on this Continent. But many had failed to reckon with the brilliant leadership with which Britain has always been blessed in time of crisis. And never has Britain been blessed with greater leadership than in this, the most titanic struggle in which she has ever been engaged.

The words and deeds of the Right Hon. Winston Churchill shall live through the centuries. We never tire

of the message he gave us in those fateful days, and which are known today as "A Briton's Creed."

"We shall go on to the end. . . We shall fight in France; we shall fight on the seas and oceans, we shall fight with growing confidence and growing strength in the air. . . We shall defend our island, whatever the cost may be. . . We shall fight on the beaches, we shall fight on the landing grounds, we shall fight in the fields and streets and in the hills. . . We shall never surrender and even if, which I do not for a moment believe, this island, or even part of it, is subjugated and starving, then our Empire across the seas, armed and guarded by the British Fleet, will carry on the struggle, until, in God's good time, the new world, in all its strength and might, sets forth to the rescue and liberation of the old. . . Britain will fight the menace of tyranny for years, and, if necessary, alone."

But thank God, it is not necessary for her to fight alone. Listen to the words of that equally great leader, the Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of our great friendly neighbor to the south:

"We have furnished the British great material support and we will furnish far more in the future. There will be no 'bottleneck' in our determination to aid Great Britain. No dictator, no combination of dictators, will weaken that determination by threats of how they will construe that determination."

and again:

"I have the profound conviction that the American people are now determined to put forth a mightier effort than they have ever yet made to increase our production of all the implements of defence, to meet the threat to our democratic faith."

Surely it may be said of either Churchill or Roosevelt "He came to his Kingdom for such a time as this."

They remind me of a verse in Pauline Johnson's poem, entitled:

"And They Said, 'Fight On'."

"They've shot my flag to ribbons, but in rents
it floats above the height;
Their ensign shall not crown my battlements
while I can stand and fight.
I fling defiance at them as I cry,
'Capitulate?' Not I."

But there are times, when it appears to me, that the capable and brilliant leadership of these men distract our attention from the inspirational leadership provided by our Sovereign Lord King George and his gracious Queen. When others left London, they remained, even though their own home was bombed. Wherever there was suffering and death, there you would find our King and Queen, sympathizing, comforting, encouraging and bringing moral strength to their people to carry on, no matter what the cost. Listen to the quotation His Majesty used at the close of an Empire broadcast:

"I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year, 'give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.' And he replied, 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way'."

Surely, it may be said of our beloved King and Queen, "They came to their Kingdom for such a time as this."

Brethren, with such leadership, Britain I believe is invincible. I am sure that the leaders I have mentioned would prefer that we put our trust not so much in their leadership or our material resources, as in Him who is able to raise up other leaders, if that should become necessary, who is able to save by many or by few, if we trust Him implicitly, for, brethren, the struggle to maintain democracy requires citizenship of the highest order on the part of everyone.

Obedience to His Divine Will is what is needed today. "By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.

By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the promise.

For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God."

By faith Britain, when she was called to go out and do battle for the weak and the oppressed; to stop the pagan hordes of Hitler, obeyed; and went out, not knowing whither she went. By faith her soldiers, sailors and airmen sojourned, as in a strange country, dwelling in tents with their brothers-in-arms, the free men of all nations, the heirs with them of the same promise. For, like Abraham, they too, looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Brethren when the material things in which we have placed our faith for so long are tumbling about us, are we ready to go out, all out, to find that city?

This is not a struggle between nations. It is a struggle between the forces of righteousness and truth, and the forces of evil. There is only one place for Freemasons to take their stand, Freemasons who not only declare their belief in God, but who put their trust in Him. Relying on such sure support, we may safely arise and follow guides like our King, Churchill and Roosevelt, with firm but humble confidence, until, (to use the words of Air Marshall William A. Bishop) "A world is established where little children can play in safety, where men and women can work in dignity and honor, and old men and women can face the sunset with peace in their hearts."

I close with words written by Lilian Leveridge, a girl from my old home town:

"This is the way of the British—
In the strength of their righteous cause,
Upheld by the hosts of Heaven,
They strike for their King and laws.
From what do they shrink—our soldiers?
They may lose in the fearful fray
Their lives, but never their honor,
Who fight in the British way.
Then here's to you, lads in the army,

And here's to you, lads on the sea;
To your hands that are strong and steady,
To your hearts that are true and free!
Though long it be ere the dawning,
It cometh at last—the day,
When all that you've fought for, bled for,
You shall win in the British way."

Fraternally submitted,
JOHN JAMES HENDERSON,
Grand Master

On motion of M.W. Bro. Hon. Justice W. J. Major (25), seconded by M.W. Bro. James Mackie (4), the address was referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Address. Carried.

As the Blackout was in pregress at this time of the session, the brethren sang, "Lead Kindly Light."

The Shrine Chanters rendered three fine selections which the brethren acknowledged in a most appropriate manner.

FRATERNAL GREETINGS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Letters extending fraternal greeting and good wishes were received from:

M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins, P.G.M. of Manitoba.
M.W. Bro. V. A. Bowes, P.G.M. of Alberta.
M.W. Bro. Eugene Naylor, Grand Master of North Dakota.
M.W. Bro. W. L. Stockwell, P.G.M. and Grand Secretary of N. D.
M.W. Bro. Chas. M. Hall, Grand Master of South Dakota.
M.W. Bro. Col. F. W. Matson, P.G.M. of Minnesota.
M.W. Bro. Sam A. Erickson, P.G.M. of Minnesota.
M.W. Bro. Dan DeBaugh, Grand Master of Illinois.
M.W. Bro. E. L. Lawrence, P.G.M. of Illinois.
R.W. Bro. Karl J. Mohr, Deputy Grand Mastter of Illinois.
R.W. Bro. Wm. Tinsley, Junior Grand Warden of Illinois.
W. Bro. Jas. F. Russell, Grand Representative to

Grand Lodge of New Jersey.
W. Bro. Lloyd Peabody, Grand Representative to Grand Lodge of Minnesota.
R.W. Bro. Louis Armit.
R.W. Bro. A. K. Cates.
R.W. Bro. J. P. MacKinnon.
W. Bro. A. E. Thompson.
The Grand Chapter of Manitoba, Order of the Eastern Star.

M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd suggested to the M.W. Grand Master that he ask the Grand Secretary to send telegrams to M.W. Bro. Eugene Naylor and M.W. Bro. Col. F. W. Matson, expressing regrets at their inability to attend our Sessions on account of illness and with best wishes for a speedy recovery. This was attended to.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

The Board of General Purposes begs to report as follows:
Seven meetings have been held since the 1940 Communication of Grand Lodge, and the following is a synopsis of business transacted:

JUNE 6TH, 1940.

R.W. Bro. G. R. Calvert became Chairman by virtue of his office. R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni was appointed Vice-Chairman.
The Committee to strike Standing Committees consisted of M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (Chairman), M.W. Bro. George Hunter, M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd, R.W. Bro. Sam Burland, R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters.

JUNE 21ST, 1940

The report of the Committee to strike Standing Committees was received and adopted.

The sum of $5,000.00 was voted to the Dominion War Effort.

The War Effort Committee was appointed: R.W. Bro. B. C. Parker (Chairman), M.W. Bro. W. J. Major; M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd; R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni; R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess.

The Grand Secretary was instructed to circularize all Lodges and point out that when members were confined to Winnipeg Hospitals he should be notified in order that prompt visitation might be made.

SEPTEMBER 20TH, 1940

The War Effort Committee's Report was received and adopted. It recommended a Service of Witness in the Civic Auditorium—a campaign to raise $50,000.00 by subscription from members and Lodges for the war needs of the Empire;—an effort be made to encourage members of the Craft to volunteer to receive into their homes children who had been evacuated from the Motherland.

The necessary Sub-Committees were appointed to carry out these recommendations.

NOVEMBER 15TH, 1940

The Sub-Committees on Grand Lodge War Effort reported—R.W. Bro. Rev. Canon G. R. Calvert stated that arrangements were complete for the Auditorium Service of Witness and Dedication on Sunday, November 17th.

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas reported that with reference to the $50,000.00 appeal, a meeting of Masters and Wardens of the First and Twelfth Districts and four Lodges of the Tenth Masonic District would be held on Saturday, November 23rd, to discuss the launching of the campaign.

R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (Chairman of Committee on the Care of Evacuated Children) reported that his Committee was ready to work as soon as children were moved to Manitoba.

East Star Lodge No. 55 having applied for permission to use temporary quarters because the building in which the Lodge Room was situated had been torn down, was granted permission to remain in temporary quarters for seven months, by which time it was hoped permanent Lodge accommodation could be secured.

FEBRUARY 21ST, 1941

R.W. Bro. B. C. Parker reported that Grand Lodge was registered under the War Charities Act, and the necessary Certificate had been received.

R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni reporting on behalf of the Jurisprudence and Appeals Committee on the resolution of Flin Flon Lodge No. 153 re Association with or membership in out-lawed bodies, pointed out that the machinery for coping with this is in the hands of all Lodges.

Report of a meeting at Brandon on January 20th showed twenty-three Lodges represented and a fine interest in the War Effort Campaign.

The Chinese Freemasons had made an application for a Charter from the Provincial Legislature for a Company to be known as "Chinese Freemasons Winnipeg Company Limited."

This application has been opposed by our Jurisprudence and Appeals Committee and it was withdrawn.

A new application had been made substituting Chinese words and the Committee was asked to look into the matter and get an English translation of the new name, and report.

APRIL 18TH, 1941

The request of Midlothian Lodge No. 90 for a Masonic Trial was referred to the Jurisprudence and Appeals Committee for a report.

Rivers Lodge No. 115 was granted permission to move to new premises when the District Deputy Grand Master reports the new quarters are satisfactory.

Programme Committee of Grand Lodge stated that Ven. Archdeacon A. P. Gower-Rees would be the speaker at the Thursday evening Session of Grand Lodge.

JUNE 4TH, 1941

The reports of the Standing Committees were presented and received for presentation to Grand Lodge.

By motion, the Charge made by Midlothian Lodge No. 90 was laid over until the meeting of the Board of General Purposes to be held on the third Friday in June.

May I in conclusion express my special thanks to the Grand Secretary, Rt. Wor. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, for his great help to me during my term as chairman of the Board of General purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE R. CALVERT,
Chairman.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), the report was received and adopted.

MASONIC DISTRICTS

M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90) moved that the Masonic Districts as at present constituted remain as they are for

the ensuing year, seconded by R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni. Carried.

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment by Most Worshipful Bro. J. J. Henderson, Grand Master, until 10:30 a.m. tomorrow, Thursday, June 5, 1941.

Second Day

Thursday, June 5th, 1941

Morning Session

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 10:45 a.m. by Most Worshipful Bro. J. J. Henderson, Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. Ralph W. Stanford, P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, was presented by M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd, graciously welcomed by our M.W. Grand Master and conducted to a seat in the East.

REPORT OF NOMINATIONS

The Grand Secretary reported the following nominations had been received for Grand Lodge Offices and the Board of General Purposes:

Grand Master:

R.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.

Deputy Grand Master:

R.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni, Gladstone Lodge No. 11.

Senior Grand Warden:

R.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker, St. John's Lodge No. 4.

Junior Grand Warden:

R.W. Bro. Samuel Burland, Stonewall Lodge No. 12.
R.W. Bro. Maris H. Garton, Doric Lodge No. 36.
R.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan, Tweed Lodge No. 113.

Grand Treasurer:

R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.

Grand Secretary:

R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114.

Grand Chaplain:

R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey, Ionic Lodge No. 25.
W. Bro. Wm. Reid, Carman Lodge No. 155.

Grand Historian:

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, St. John's Lodge No. 4.

Grand Director of Ceremonies:

R.W. Bro. Charles R. Sayer, Northern Light Lodge No. 10.

Grand Librarian:

R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset, Lisgar Lodge No. 2.

Board of General Purposes:

R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.
R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.
R.W. Bro. Samuel Burland, Stonewall Lodge No. 12.
R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters, Ionic Lodge No. 25.
R.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald, Shiloh Lodge No. 70.
W. Bro. J. J. Bannerman, King Edward Lodge No. 93.
R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr, Tweed Lodge No. 113.
R.W. Bro. Wm. McLellan, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114.
R.W. Bro. W. J. Wilson, Norwood Lodge No. 119.
R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green, Mt. Sinai Lodge No. 143.
V.W. Bro. James Buchan, The Dormer Lodge No. 151.

District Deputy Grand Masters:

First Masonic District

W. Bro. Arthur V. Piggott, Northern Light Lodge No. 10.
W. Bro. Wm. H. McPherson, King Edward Lodge No. 93.
V.W. Bro. Samuel C. Taylor, Norwood Lodge No. 119.

Second Masonic District

W. Bro. E. A. Newcomb, Union Lodge No. 108.

Third Masonic District

W. Bro. E. B. Litz, Rathwell Lodge No. 87.

Fourth Masonic District

V.W. Bro. W. R. Leslie, Belmont Lodge No. 13.

Fifth Masonic District

V.W. Bro. George V. Henderson, Strathclair Lodge No. 106.
W. Bro. E. E. Grant, Rivers Lodge No. 115.

Sixth Masonic District

W. Bro. G. A. McMorran, Glenwood Lodge No. 27.

Seventh Masonic District

W. Bro. H. J. Barter, Brandon Lodge No. 19.

Eighth Masonic District

W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd, Emerson Lodge No. 6.

Ninth Masonic District

W. Bro. A. J. Webb, Hiram Lodge No. 94.
W. Bro. John Livesey, Prince Arthur Lodge No. 105.
W. Bro. W. J. Brown, Jubilee Lodge No. 147.
W. Bro. J. D. Houston, Jubilee Lodge No. 147.

Tenth Masonic District

W. Bro. R. M. Muckle, Lisgar Lodge No. 2.
W. Bro. J. R. Watson, Ophir Lodge No. 112.
W. Bro. A. G. Phillips, Kildonan Lodge No. 131.
W. Bro. T. L. Clayton, Stony Mountain Lodge No. 134.
R.W. Bro. Rev. Harry Sherstone, The Dormer Lodge No. 151.
W. Bro. Edward J. Kahle, Pine Falls Lodge No. 154.

Twelfth Masonic District

W. Bro. George E. Miles, Capitol Lodge No. 136.
W. Bro. Nathan Rotshtein, Tuscan Lodge No. 141.

SCRUTINEERS

The Most Worshipful Grand Master had appointed the following brethren to act as Scrutineers, with power to add to their number:

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), Chairman.
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130).
W. Bro. J. W. Tackaberry (4).

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

I herewith submit my report, as your Grand Secretary, for the year ending 31st December, 1940, being the Sixty-sixth Annual Report of this Grand Lodge.

The Annual Proceedings were compiled, printed and distributed as soon as possible after the close of the Grand Lodge Sessions.

All the necessary Certificates were prepared and issued, List of Grand Lodge Officers and Standing Committees, the usual Warning Circulars, together with all other Official Notices, were duly attended to.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

On the authority of the M.W. Grand Master, the following Commission as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, near the Grand Lodge of Alberta has been issued to M.W. Bro. Samuel Harris, Vice W. Bro. Brig. General J. S. Stewart, resigned.

The M.W. Grand Master recommended the appointment of the following as our Grand Representatives near the following Grand Lodges:

North Carolina..... R.W. Bro. Robert Peel
Vice-M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, resigned.

Texas ..... V.W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick
Vice-M.W. Bro. H. J. Pugh, resigned.

Canada (in Ontario) . M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
Vice-M.W. Bro. J. C. Walker Reid, resigned.

Montana ..... R.W. Bro. M. S. Watson, LL.D.
Vice-R.W. Bro. Edwin T. Johnson, resigned.

Arkansas ..... V.W. Bro. James D. Harrower
Vice-W. Bro. James D. Reid, resigned.

Michigan ..... R.W. Bro. O. S. Ross, M.D.
Vice-M.W. Bro. Rev. A. B. Baird, D.D., Deceased.

Oklahoma ..... V.W. Bro. Harry M. Smith
Vice-R.W. Bro. John Pollock, resigned.

Puerto Rico ..... V.W. Bro. George V. Henderson
Vice-W. Bro. Lorne S. Taylor, resigned.

Utah ..... R.W. Bro. Donald MacDonald
Vice-R.W. Bro. Dr. Jas A. Martin, Deceased.

DISPENSATIONS

By the authority of our Most Worshipful Grand Master, the following Dispensations were issued:

To attend Church Service in Regalia 33
Lodges Nos. 7, 12, 13, 14, 15 (2), 24, 27, 29, 36, 40, 50, 63, 75 (2), 82, 92, 102 (2), 108, 111, 116, 117, 123, 124, 127, 128, 133, 134, 136, 154, 155.
Masonic Districts: 1st, 6th, 7th, 12th.

Amendments to By-Laws 14
Lodges Nos. 1, 3, 43, 62, 67, 114, 115, 123, 124, 125, 138, 153, and new sets of By-Laws for, 54, 120.

Change of Date or Hour of Meeting 16
Lodges Nos. 27, 30, 49, 67, 71, 77, 82, 108(2), 110, 124, 125, 128, 132, 134, 141.

Special Meetings 6
Lodges Nos. 19, 84, 104, 124, 144, 153.

Elections and Installations 9
Lodges Nos. 19, 49, 70, 82, 102, 104, 136, 138, 154.

To confer Degrees within the prescribed time 4
Lodges Nos. 27. 94, 100, 123.

Permission to Re-ballot 1
Lodge No. 143.

Joint Installations 8
Lodges Nos. 11 and 24, 19 and 113, 105 and 147, 131 and 151.

Total 91

The returns from all of the Constituent Lodges covering their year's operations were received, the returns of two Lodges Nos. 82 and 126 did not come to hand until after the close of our financial year at March 31st, 1941. It would be a great help to the Grand Secretary's Office if closer attention was given to the provisions of s.s. (f) of Section 114 of our Constitution.

Manitouwapa Lodge, working U.D. was consecrated and presented with its Charter No. 156 on the Grand Register, on September 4, 1940, and the Officers duly installed.

I regret to report that there has been a net loss in membership for the year of 161, in large measure due to a drop in the number of affiliations, and loss through suspensions and death, as shown by the following table of statistics:

Number of Lodges at December 31st, 1940			104
Membership of our Lodges at Dec. 31st, 1939			10,278
Errors in Lodge returns			4
			10,274
	1939	1940	
Initiated	207	202	
Affiliated	129	91	
Re-instated	40	57	
	376	350	350
			10,624
Loss by Demitted	159	135	
Loss by Suspension	193	202	
Loss by Death	155	174	
	507	511	511
Membership at December 31st, 1940			10,113
Net Loss for the year			161

Forty-three Lodges had no suspensions, let all of our Lodges strive to be on such an Honor Roll.

Degrees conferred during the year:		
Initiated	202	
Passed	178	
Raised	170	550

Life Members:

There are 1102 Life Members in the Jurisdiction, being over 11% of the membership, distributed through ninety of our Lodges; In two of them, their Life Members represent 35% and 36% of their membership. This is a situation that should be rather disturbing to the Lodges concerned, and to Grand Lodge.

33 Lodges had an increase in Membership.
21 Lodges remained stationary.
50 Lodges had a decrease in Membership.

The following table shows the change in our Membership during the past five years:

		Suspensions	Demits	Deaths	Net Loss
Membership in 1936	10,855	204	159	140	209
Membership in 1937	10,658	229	157	140	196
Membership in 1938	10,409	265	181	157	225
Membership in 1939	10,274	193	159	155	131
Membership in 1940	10,113	202	135	174	161

We express our deep sympathy with Sister Grand Lodges, who have lost their Grand Secretaries, through death, since our last Communication, in the persons of:

M.W. Bro. Archie S. Harriman..Grand Lodge of Vermont,
Died 8th January, 1941.

M.W. Bro. Curtis F. Pike .....Grand Lodge of Idaho,
Died 17th January, 1941.

R.W. Bro. Thomas G. Winning..Grand Lodge of Scotland,
Died 26th March, 1941.

V.W. Bro. John Whicher.....Grand Lodge of California,
Died 31st March, 1941.

R.W. Bro. Frank F. Baker.....Grand Lodge of Georgia,
Died 2nd April, 1941.

Each of these brethren had given very devoted service to their Grand Lodge and to the cause of Freemasonry in general and will be greatly missed by those with whom they have worked for so many years.

Courtesies

Under the direction of the M.W. Grand Master, requests to confer Degrees have been made to our Sister Grand Jurisdictions, for Manitoba Lodges, and requests have been received, to confer Degrees for Sister Grand Jurisdictions. We thank our Sister Grand Jurisdictions for the courtesies they extended to us.

We extend our thanks and appreciation to Grand Jurisdictions and Masonic friends for Masonic Publications sent to the Grand Secretary's Office, which are finally passed to our Library.

It was a great pleasure to accompany our M.W. Grand Master on his Official Visits and thank him for his kind consideration at all times. Our thanks are also extended to the Grand Lodge Officers, District Deputy Grand Masters, and the Secretaries of the Constituent Lodges for their fine co-operation during the year.

Fraternally submitted,

J. H. G. Russell

Grand Secretary.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert (1), seconded by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), the report was referred to the Committee on Grand Secretary's Report. Adopted.

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master,
Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Herewith I beg to submit the following duly audited statements covering the various accounts in connection with the Grand Lodge finances, as at the 31st of March, 1941:

General Fund:

Exhibit "A". Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "B". Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Exhibit "C". Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.
Schedule "1". Accounts Receivable.
Schedule "2". Details of Miscellaneous Expenditures.

Benevolent Endowment Fund and Beneficiary Fund:

Exhibit "D". Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "E". Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Exhibit "F". Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.
Schedule "3". Details of Cash Receipts.
Schedule "4". Statement of Beneficiary Fund.
Schedule "5". Mortgage Loans, Interest, Taxes and Insurance, etc., Receivable Benevolent Endowment Fund.

All bonds owned by Grand Lodge are fully registered. They have been inspected by the Auditor and found to be in order.

Fraternally submitted,

ALEX. BURGESS,
Grand Treasurer.

April 3rd, 1941.

To the Most Worshipful The Grand Master,
Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M., Winnipeg, Manitoba.

We desire to report that we have audited the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer of The Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31st, 1941, and in connection submit the following Financial Statements.

Cash in Bank:

The balances at Bank were confirmed by certificates obtained by us direct from the Bank.

Investments:

The securities representing the investments were inspected by us and found in order.

All Bonds and Debentures are fully registered in the name of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M.

The Interest due on the Province of Alberta Debentures is in default five years.

Yours truly,

ADAM ARMSTRONG & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

Exhibit "A"

BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL FUND
As at March 31st, 1941

ASSETS

Current:		
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce	$2,874.01	
Cash in Hand (Petty)	5.52	
Accounts Receivable (Per Schedule "1")	1,285.25	
		$4,164.78
Inventories:		
Supplies and Stock	$3,050.00	
Valued at		1.00
Equipment:		
Furniture and Fixtures	$ 881.00	
Regalia	750.00	
Library and Fixtures	2,200.00	
	$3,831.00	
Valued at		1.00
		$4,166.78

LIABILITIES

Beneficiary Fund (Loan)	$3,000.00
Surplus (Per Exhibit "B")	1,166.78
	$4,166.78

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 31st, 1941, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31st, 1941.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ADAM ARMSTRONG & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man. April 3rd, 1941.

Exhibit "B"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended March 31st, 1941

INCOME

Dues	$ 9,090.00
Initiations	408.00
M.M. Certificates	390.00
P.M. Certificates	68.00
L.M. Certificates	92.00
L.M. Fees	460.00
Dispensations	81.00
Supplies	381.56
	$10,970.56

EXPENDITURE

Salaries	$4,020.00	
Rent	1,000.00	
Postage and Stamp Tax	259.44	
Stationery and Office Supplies	215.83	
Regalia Grand Master	280.00	
Expense Grand Master	500.00	
Insurance	48.00	
M.M. Certificates	51.84	
P.M. Certificates	24.30	
L.M. Certificates	29.70	
Masonic Research and Educational Fund	8.80	
Library Maintenance	1,211.27	
Jewel P.G.M.	20.00	
Exchange	24.85	
Miscellaneous (Per Schedule "2")	2,509.81	
		10,203.84
Net Operating Profit		$ 766.72
Deduct:		
Donation Dominion Government War Fund		5,000.00
Net Deficit for Year		$ 4,233.28
Surplus as at March 30th, 1940		5,400.06
Surplus as at March 31st, 1941		$ 1,166.78

Exhibit "C"

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended March 31st, 1941

RECEIPTS

Subordinate Lodges		$11,444.45
Cash Sales—Supplies, etc.		23.45
Exchange		4.30
Postage		.15
Beneficiary Fund (Loan)		4,000.00
Total Receipts		$15,472.35
Cash in Bank, April 1st, 1940	$4,252.08	
Cash in Hand, April 1st, 1940	16.32	
		4,268.40
		$19,740.75

DISBURSEMENTS

Donation, Dominion Government War Fund	$5,000.00	
Salaries	4,020.00	
Rent	1,000.00	
Postage and Stamp Tax	259.59	
Stationery and Office Supplies	215.83	
Regalia Grand Master	280.00	
Expense Grand Master	500.00	
Insurance	48.00	
M.M. Certificates	51.84	
P.M. Certificates	24.30	
L.M. Certificates	29.70	
Masonic Research & Educational Fund	8.80	
Library—Maintenance	1,211.27	
Jewel P.G.M.	20.00	
Supplies	192.78	
Beneficiary Fund Loan Repaid	1,000.00	
Benevolent Fund (Life Members' Fees)	460.00	
Exchange	29.30	
Miscellaneous (Per Schedule "2")	2,509.81	
		16,861.22
Cash in Bank, March 31st, 1941	$2,874.01	
Cash in Hand, March 31st, 1941	5.52	
		2,879.53
		$19,740.75

Schedule "1"

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
GENERAL FUND
As at March 31st, 1941

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount
2.	Lisgar	$ 76.05
4.	St. John's	33.00
8.	King Solomon	.70
11.	Gladstone	.50
12.	Stonewall	.50
14.	Prince of Wales	148.95
29.	Carberry	32.50
51.	Treherne	40.60
52.	Hartney	50.15
63.	Holland	1.25
64.	Composite	16.90
68.	Vermillion	5.00
70.	Shiloh	13.25
71.	Crystal	1.40
77.	Napinka	52.00
82.	Cypress	109.60
87.	Rathwell	.75
93.	King Edward	10.50
100.	Robbie Burns	1.95
101.	Binscarth	179.00
107.	Lansdowne	28.50
111.	Acacia	.40
115.	Rivers	2.70
121.	St. James	85.00
123.	Transcona	6.00
126.	Favel	20.50
128.	Victory	2.00
138.	Windsor	253.60
140.	Meridan	2.90
144.	Fort Osborne	3.20
148.	Seven Oaks	54.00
154.	Pine Falls	2.35
155.	Carman	54.45
		$1,290.15

Credits

55.	East Star	$ .05	
139.	Beaver	4.35	
151.	The Dormer	.50	
			4.90
			$1,285.25

Schedule "2"

DETAILS OF MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE
GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended March 31st, 1941

Particulars	Amount
Proceedings	$ 684.99
Grand Lodge Communication	512.37
War Effort Committee	415.85
Audit	150.00
Telephones and Telegraph	117.90
Travelling	190.30
Flowers	24.00
Christmas Cards	34.56
Masonic Relief Association	57.32
List of Lodges	54.16
Engrossing Charter	27.00
Warning Circulars	23.76
City Directory	21.60
Safety Deposit Box	15.00
Typewriter Inspection	11.50
Amendments to Constitution	15.66
Memoriam Cards	42.12
Certificate (Grand Master)	9.18
Indemnity Bond (Grand Secretary)	3.75
Addressograph	4.13
Miscellaneous	94.66
	$2,509.81

Exhibit "D"

BALANCE SHEET BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND
As at March 31st, 1941

ASSETS

Current:				
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce			$ 5,854.96	
Cash on Hand			163.98	
General Fund Loan			3,000.00	
				$ 9,018.94
Investments:				
Mortgage Loans		$ 8,439.63		
Mortgage Interest Unpaid		419.05		
Mortgage Taxes, Insurance, Legal, etc. Advanced		95.47		
			$ 8,954.15	
	Par Value			
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$ 96,000.00	$88,201.25		
Greater Winnipeg Water District Debentures	16,000.00	16,045.00		
Province of Saskatchewan Debentures	21,000.00	21,000.00		
Province of Alberta Debentures	10,000.00	10,000.00		
Province of British Columbia Debentures	15,000.00	14,955.00		
Point Grey Debentures	10,000.00	9,925.00		
Dominion of Canada Bonds	42,000.00	41,595.00		
Canadian National Railway Bonds	8,000.00	8,000.00		
City of Winnipeg Debentures	2.433.33	2,177.83		
	$220,433.33		211,899.08	
Beneficiary Fund:				
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$ 4,500.00	$ 4,500.00		
Dominion of Canada Bonds	5,000.00	5,000.00	9,500.00	
	$ 9,500.00			$230,353.23

Property:		
174 Perth Avenue	$ 1,422.73	
Acquired Through Foreclosure:		
191 Ethelbert Street	5,871.81	
1025 Grosvenor Avenue	4.217.70	
926 Jessie Avenue	2,811.54	
299 Waverley Street	10,955.39	
275 Harvard Avenue	9,313.23	
66 Waterloo Street	9,543.55	
		44,135.95
		$283,508.12

LIABILITIES

Surplus (per Exhibit "E")	$283,508.12
	$283,508.12

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 31st, 1941, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31st, 1941.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ADAM ARMSTRONG & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man, April 3rd, 1941.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND

For the year ended March 31st, 1941.

INCOME

Interest—Bonds and Debentures....	$10,152.53	
Premium—Bonds and Debentures....	420.00	
		$10,572.53
Interest—Montgages		637.79
Life Members' Fees.....		460.00
Donations Lodges.....		465.69
		$12,136.01

EXPENDITURE

Beneficiary Fund (Per Schodule "4")..	$ 6,155.30	
Exchange	11.34	
Tax Deducted U.S. Bond Interest.....	243.49	
		6,410.13
Net Income for year.....		$ 5,725.88
Surplus as at March 30th, 1940.....		$277,782.24
Surplus as at March 31st, 1941.....		$283,508.12

Exhibit "F"

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND

For the Year Ended March 31st, 1941

RECEIPTS

Total Receipts (Per Schedule "3")	$17,783.67
Cash in Bank, April 1st, 1940	3,999.40
	$21,783.07

DISBURSEMENTS

Bonds Purchased	$2,177.83		
Accrued Interest	44.79		
		$ 2,222.62	
Accrued Interest on Bonds Exchanged		9.34	
Beneficiary Fund		6,155.30	
Mortgage, Loans, Taxes, Insurance and Legal		24.75	
Real Estate. Taxes, Insurance, Repairs and Collection Commissions:			
174 Perth Avenue	$ 156.25		
191 Ethelbert Street	770.86		
1025 Grosvenor Avenue.	250.78		
926 Jessie Avenue	114.60		
299 Waverley Street	653.99		
275 Harvard Avenue	349.31		
66 Waterloo Street	801.50		
		3,097.29	
Exchange		11.34	
Tax Deducted U.S. Bond Interest		243.49	
Loan General Fund		4,000.00	
Total Disbursements			15,764.13
Cash in Bank, March 31st, 1941		$5,854.96	
Cash on Hand, March 31st, 1941		163.98	
			6,018.94
			$21,783.07

Schedule "3"

DETAILS OF CASH RECEIPTS
BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND
For the Year Ended March 31st, 1941

Mortgage Principal:		
Loan No. 5.	$ 250.00	
30.	200.00	
37.	334.40	
38.	100.00	
40.	213.02	
		$ 1,097.42
Mortgage Interest:		
Loan No. 2.	$ 75.71	
5.	90.09	
12.	210.31	
30.	45.00	
37.	6.00	
38.	94.50	
40.	117.01	
		638.62
Mortgage Taxes and Insurance, etc:		
Loan No. 5.	13.89	
12.	90.90	
		104.79
Rents Received (Property):		
174 Perth Avenue	$ 260.87	
191 Ethelbert Street	467.00	
1025 Grosvenor Avenue	540.00	
926 Jessie Avenue	360.00	
299 Waverley Street	787.50	
275 Harvard Avenue	720.00	
		3,135.37
Taxes Rebated—66 Waterloo Street		104.44
Loan Repaid (General Fund)		1,000.00
Interest and Premiums Bonds and Debentures		10,777.34
Donations		465.69
Life Members' Fees		460.00
		$17,783.67

Schedule "4"

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND

For the Year Ended March 31st, 1941

No.	Name of Lodge	On Account of	Amount
1.	Prince Rupert	Mrs. E. H.	$ 105.00
2.	Lisgar	Mrs. F. J.	50.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	W. P.	84.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. M. C.	180.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. D. O'C.	120.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. C. J. T.	120.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. C. W.	180.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. J. R.	90.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. F. J. B.	120.00
4.	St. John's	C. R. McL.	120.00
7.	Assiniboine	Mrs. G. R. H.	25.00
8.	King Solomon	J. H. S.	40.00
10.	Northern Light	Mrs. E. E. B.	60.00
10.	Northern Light	Mrs. E. M. Q.	10.00
11.	Gladstone	Mrs. M. E.	30.00
12.	Stonewall	Mrs. McF.	240.00
12.	Stonewall	Mrs. G. W.	120.00
24.	Neepawa	Mrs. F.	180.15
25.	Ionic	Mrs. E. E. D.	180.00
25.	Ionic	Mrs. J. L. McQ.	120.00
27.	Glenwood	J. C.	15.00
40.	Deloraine	Mrs. G. B.	135.00
40.	Deloraine	Mrs. G. R. A.	180.00
43.	Lebanon	A.M.	120.00
43.	Lebanon	Miss B. T.	144.00
48.	Glenboro	Mrs. C. H.	90.00
51.	Treherne	A. M. W.	20.00
55.	East Star	T. A. A.	25.00
62.	Russell	A.M.	180.00
63.	Holland	Mrs. B. L. S.	150.00
63.	Holland	Mrs. E. F.	60.00
68.	Vermillion	Mrs. W. H. L.	120.00
84.	Hamiota	Mrs. I. R.	50.00
92.	Shoal Lake	Mrs. J. J.	120.00
93.	King Edward	H. G.	240.00
93.	King Edward	Mrs. J. G. H.	165.00
93.	King Edward	D. G. S.	35.00
94.	Hiram	Mrs. F. G. H.	130.15
100.	Robbie Burns	Mrs. E. J. B.	120.00
102.	Miniota	J. P.	180.00
	Forward		$4,453.30

Schedule "4"

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND (Continued)

For the Year Ended March 31st, 1941

No.	Name of Lodge	No.	Name of Lodge	
	Forward			$4,453.30
106.	Strathclair	R. E.		70.00
108.	Union	G. W. K.		170.00
111.	Acacia	Mrs. H. H.		180.00
112.	Ophir	Mrs. B. B. T.		300.00
119.	Norwood	J. McD.		50.00
119.	Norwood	Mrs. V. H.		120.00
120.	Penza	Mrs. M. M. M.		120.00
121.	St. James	Mrs. J. MacG.		180.00
124.	The Pas	Mrs. M. J.		110.00
131.	Kildonan	Miss A. P. S.		60.00
136.	Capital	Mrs. E.		105.00
143.	Mt. Sinai	Mrs. F. G.		10.00
144.	Fort Osborne	Mrs. L. F. M. B.		120.00
154.	Pine Falls	Mrs. A. G.		144.00
	Flowers			3.00
	Legal Fees			15.00
				$6,210.30
Less:				
	Refunds			55.00
				$6.155.30

MORTGAGE LOANS, INTEREST, TAXES AND INSURANCE, ETC., RECEIVABLE

BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

As at March 31st, 1941

	Principal	Interest	Taxes, Insurance, Legal, etc.
Loan No. 2.	$1,700.00	$ 419.05	$ 44.25
Loan No. 5.	1,150.00		
Loan No. 12.	1,700.00		48.22
Loan No. 30.	600.00		
Loan No. 37.			3.00
Loan No. 38.	1,500.00		
Loan No. 40.	1,789.63		
	$8,439.63	$ 419.05	$ 95.47

On motion of R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3), seconded by R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon (3), the reports of the Grand Treasurer and the auditors were received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons.

The report which will be submitted by the War Effort Committee at this Annual Communication along with the address of the Grand Master, and the printed Proceedings in general will relate the principal events of the year 1940-1941. These records will amply cover the current history of the Craft in Manitoba.

Following the precedent which I set last year, I have decided to place upon our permanent pages a most interesting item, the MSS of which came into my possession several years ago. It is the first written story of Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1, prepared by the Secretary of the Lodge and carries the date 1877.

That date takes us back to the disturbing days of the schism which occurred in our Grand Lodge shortly after it was organized. In "Freemasonry in Manitoba" four Chapters are devoted to the events of the period, now, we present another voice—that of W. Bro. George R. Carruthers. This, is indeed an historic document. It was carefully prepared by one of the active participants and it is fitting we should preserve such rare original items in the records of Grand Lodge. Here, then, is the early story of one of the pioneer Lodges in Western Canada.

SKETCH
of the History of
Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1, G.R.M.,
A.F. & A.M.
from the year of its organization 1870
Compiled by
Bro. G. F. Carruthers
Secretary, 1877

To the W.M. and Brethren of Prince Rupert's Lodge
No. 1, G.R.M.
Brethren:-

"It is with extreme diffidence that I have entered upon the task of compiling a sketch of the history, however meagre, of our beloved Lodge, from the time of its inception to the present date. The lot should have fallen on one whose pen would be gifted with greater histrionic powers than my own; however, in endeavoring to carry out the commands of our respected

M.R.W. Bro. Conklin upon placing this Book in my hands, viz; "to write it up," I found in doing so that it entailed this effort on my part, and believing that the only way to overcome difficulties is manfully to tackle them, I have thrown together as best I could, the few following data gathered from old Minute Books and other sources of a like nature, trusting that the brethren will cover the raggedness, and baseness of my diction with that mantle of charity which looks leniently upon the shortcomings of a Brother and which is ever the glory and boast of our fraternity to accord to those seeking its shelter. Without further apology, then I submit this humble effort for your approval.

In the year 1870 or 5870 of the Masonic era, the Brethren of the Mystic Tie who then happened to be in Winnipeg as members of the 1st expedition, assisting to uphold as all good Masons should, the Laws of their Country, feeling the solitariness and weakness of this position as individual, wandered from the various Lodges that clustered under the maternal wing of the G. L. of C. and looking back with a yearning feeling of regret to the many pleasant evenings spent in social gathering with their fellow laborers in the Divine Craft in far away Ontario, decided to muster their scanty forces, and if possible, inaugurate a Lodge in which the various units would be amalgamated again under one head, and form once more, an integral part of the Mother from which they sprang.

To this end then, a dispensation was asked and obtained from the G. L. C. to form a Lodge to be known as the "Winnipeg Lodge." The first meeting was called for the 10th day of December, 1870, in the upper flat of the McKenny Building, corner of Main Street and the Portage Road. There, in a room illy adapted for Masonic purposes, the Lodge furniture home-made, though not by any means to be despised on that account, if we may judge by the specimens that have been handed down to us in the chairs of the principal Officers which will attest to the skill of an amateur carpenter of B. W. Bro. Bradley, now the W.M. of Emerson Lodge, then one of the most energetic of the early members in assisting to arrange things decently and in order as far the means available in those pioneer days would permit. The dispensation from the G. L. C., to form a Lodge, was laid before the brethren present and the following Officers were elected:-

Bro. B. L. Patterson.....W.M.
W. M. Kennedy.....S.W.
M. Coyne.....J.W.
J. F. B. Morris.....Treasurer
H. I. Champion.....Secretary

Two other Bros., D. M. Walker and Ed Armstrong, do not appear to have been provided for, but it is probable that they acted as S. and J. D. Bro. Dingman, the other Charter member was absent. And thus, my brethren, was Freemasonry planted in our young Province by this little Band of "Seven", just sufficiently to make a Lodge perfect. Planted in hope and brotherly love. this seedling has already sprung into being as a flourishing young tree, though efforts are being made to curtail its sturdy growth, we will probably find in the end that the systems that would endeavor to sap its branches, has only been giving time for the roots to strike more firmly into the soil, and that when the proper period arrives and it is once more at liberty to take advantage of the free air of heaven that its offshoots will cover the land from the banks of the Red River in the East, to the base of the Rocky Mountains in the West, binding the brethren not only to one another with that "Mystic Tie" that cements us all, but uniting the whole Craft of the North West Territories in one bond of fraternal love to the grand tiara of Lodges that cluster on the Register of the G. L. of C. In doing so, they will be carrying out the 2nd article of our Constitution, which amongst other things stated "that a Mason is zealously to promote the prosperity of his own Country" and how can an earnest Mason do this more efficiently than by instilling into the Brotherhood a love for home institutions and by carefully avoiding those practices that flourish only under an Alien Flag, it is by rigidly adhering as far as possible to our own manners and customs that we can ever hope to nourish a feeling of Nationality without which Canada will in vain dream of becoming great. But to return to the subject of our Lodge which ushered into existance under the name and title of the "Winnipeg Lodge". The second regular step that the brethren appear to have taken is to appoint Bros. Coyne, Walker and Armstrong a Committee to arrange for a Dinner for the first celebration of St. John's Day in Manitoba and following close upon the heels of this move, is the appointment of a Committee to procure the necessary jewels and regalia for the Lodge. This may be said to close the initial Chapter of our history as the same night Dec. 22/70, the ballot was passed for the election of Officers and the Lodge entered upon the first full Masonic year of its existance.

It would be neither interesting or useful for me to give in detail, every little incident that followed in quick succession, they can be gathered at the leisure of any Brother from the Minute Books, suffice it to say that the Lodge rapidly grew in strength and numbers. Perhaps, looking back by the light of later events a little too rapidly, considering the foundation that was being laid, the material, in some instances might have been selected with greater care, and the superstructure today would have been more firm and compact than it is. However, it is very

far from my intention to throw any slight on the efforts of those who have built up the Craft in this Province. They have acted for the best and it is not to be wondered that in a homogenous society, like what is to be found in every new country, the base metals have sometimes passed for the true gold.

At an emergency meeting held January 6th, 1871, a letter was read from the G. L. of C. authorizing a change in the name of the Lodge from the "Winnipeg" to Prince Rupert's Lodge, which, on the motion of Bro. W. N. Kennedy, seconded by Bro. Coyne, was done, and Prince Rupert's Lodge emerged from the chrysalis state, full-fledged as No. 240 on the G. R. C. In tracing the Minutes on further, I find that after an emergency meeting held May 30th, '71, the name of W. Bro. Patterson disappeared from the Minute Book, and at the next meeting held on the 15th August, Bro. W. N. Kennedy is entered as W. M. No explanation of the change is given, beyond a statement that a Committee was appointed to draft an address to Bro. Patterson, whereby we are led to infer that the Bro. from some good reason, doubtless was obliged by private circumstances, to resign the position of W. M. and Bro. W. N. Kennedy was elected to the vacancy. which position he filled with such satisfaction to the Craft that he was twice successively re-elected.

St. John's Day, '71, was celebrated by a Grand ball in what is now known as the old "Standard" Building, but which was then looked upon as a magnificent Block and a rapid stride toward an advanced stage of architecture.

Amongst the invited guests appear to have been Lt. Gov. Archibald and family, the members of the Government and the Heads of Departments, the Officers of the Garrison, as well as the American Officers, and indeed, all the Notables of the day. The fact that Bro. G. B. Spencer was Master of Ceremonies, is a sure guarantee that all went off well and from my own remembrance of the affair, it was the most brilliant gathering that has ever taken place in the annals of Masonry in this Province.

The next interesting occurrence that I find recorded, is the affiliation of R. W. Bro. James Henderson, Dec 19th, '71, hailing from Yetland Lodge No. 21 G.R.C. Becoming sometime afterwards, an ardent advocate of the American Ritual, and therefore finding the atmosphere of our Lodge, incongenial. he asked for and obtained his Demit. He is now one of the most distinguished and prominent of the leaders of that branch of the Brotherhood that practise the A. Y. Nite, and is looked up to with respect and admiration by his party. Twice he has been elected D.G.M., which honorable position he holds today.

By vote of the Lodge, Jan. 16th, '72, it was decided that it would require two black bans to reject a Candidate, instead of one, as formerly.

May the 21st, '72, we find Bro. Henderson making an appeal against the decision of the R.W.D.D.G.M. with regard to a motion not being in order to recommend the granting of a Charter for the establishment of a new Lodge, unless said motion had appeared in the circular for that meeting, as a notice of motion. This is chiefly interesting as fixing the data when the first action appears to have been taken towards forming a second Lodge in Winnipeg.

Going back in our record a little, I observe that the Brethren had been obliged to leave their quarters in the McKenny Building sometime about May, '71, and that arrangements were entered into with Bro. Wm. Drever to meet temporarily in his house, which is conclusive evidence that accommodation was pretty scarce at that day; whether the Lodge ever did meet in Bro. Drever's house, I cannot say, finding no record of it, but at any rate, not more than one communication could have been held there, as within a month, negotiations were entered into with Bro. Ashdown for a room in the building now known as his old store, and here, the work was carried on until Oct. 1st, '72, when Bro. Ashdown sent word that he required the premises. Accordingly, another move had to be made, stakes were pulled up once more and a migration determined upon into a room owned by Bro. Dawson and over the store now occupied as a Millinery Establishment by Mrs. Dawson. This, however, was only a short respite; a relentless fate seemed to follow Prince Rupert's with the command to "move on"; as soon as the Brethren would begin to feel familiar with any one place, the proprietor would find out that he required that particular space, and bag and baggage had to be packed again, a flight was determined upon this time to our present quarters, June 16th, '74. and for three years there has been a calm, though almost daily the Brethren may expect to hear again the mandate so familiar to a London vagrant, to "move on" and the reply "where to" has yet to be answered.

Following Bro. Henderson's motion with reference to the formation of a new Lodge, we find that at the next meeting in June, '72, it was moved by Bro. Holland, seconded by Bro. Cowper, that this Lodge do recommend the formation of a new Lodge in Winnipeg, to be called the Ancient Landmark under the G.R. of Canada, to be first, W.M. Bro. J. Henderson, which was carried. It is unfortunate that our first offshoot should have

proved recalcitrant to the principals instilled into its early youth. In all other respects, however, it is a child that Prince Rupert's may be proud of.

In December, '72, the W.M. Bro. W. N. Kennedy was appointed by the G.L.C. as D.D.G.M. for the Province of Manitoba, an appointment, which it is needless to say, gave general gratification to the Brethren. February 7, '73, death, the great equalizer of all mankind, made his first inroad into our ranks and removed our Brother G. W. Webster to that Mansion not made with hands eternal in the skies. It is satisfactory to know, in looking back upon this melancholy incident, that the Brethren acted up nobly. In the precepts of our order, Bro. Webster, though without any social ties in this Province, and struck down by a lingering and infectious disease, was never deserted in his hour of trial. Everything was done that brotherly love could suggest to alleviate his sufferings, and after all was over, the last sad offices performed, a message of condolence was sent to his family living at Guelph, Ont. That their efforts were appreciated, the following extract from a relative's letter will show:

> "Will you, at the earliest opportunity, on my mother's behalf, thank the W.M. and Brethren of P. R. Lodge, for their kind expression of sympathy and I can assure them that the copy of their resolution is greatly prized and carefully treasured, I have also to ask you to thank them for me, for their promptness and generosity in advancing for me the cost and expenses of my poor boy's last illness and say that it will be my duty and pleasure to repay to their treasury, the sum advanced, at the earliest date. I can do so; meanwhile, I greet them as Masons and thank them as poor George's brother."

This is the first call that was made by a "Distressed Brother." upon our charity and let the manner in which it was met, be an example to us for future time.

In January, '74, the Brethren, thinking that our meetings would be somewhat enlivened by music, voted $75 for the purchase of a melodeon, and Bros. W. N. Kennedy, McMicken and T. H. Parr procured the instrument which now ornaments our hall. It is to be regretted that its tones are not more often heard; it appears as if it were more likely to "rust out" than wear out. However, for what music we have listened to from it, we are principally indebted to M.W. Bro Kennedy and our worthy S.W. Bro. Y. Villiers.

For our tessalated pavement, we are indebted to Bros. Y. D. Parr and Rickands. It was their gift in April of the same year

that witnessed the purchase of Melodeon. Bro. Hunter also presented, at the same time, some article of Lodge furniture, though what it was exactly, the Minutes do not state. The worthy example of these Brothers in their endeavor to add to the appearance of the Lodge, seemed to have stimulated all the Brethren to such an extent that at their October meeting in '74, they voted $200 for the purpose of furnishing the Lodge room, and though this was a very handsome sum for a young Lodge to devote to such a purpose, still such was the high cost of everything in those days, that it went but a very little way towards any very great adornment.

At our meeting, May 18th, 1875, the W.M. Bro. John Kennedy reported that as a representative of this Lodge, he had attended a convention called for the purpose of forming a Grand Lodge in the Province of Manitoba, that a Grand Lodge had been formed, and he had much pleasure in presenting to the Lodge, one of their members as G.M. elect, viz., M.W. Bro. W. C. Clark, Ph. D., A.B., etc. The W.M. also stated that he had requested the G.M. to allow this Lodge, as being the oldest in the Province, to wear Gold Jewels, which request has been graciously granted and that for the future, "Prince Rupert's" would be known as No. 1 on G.R.M.

It may not be out of place to state here, that thus far, our Lodge had had the distinguished honor of claiming as members, all the G.M.'s that have held jurisdiction in the G.L. of Manitoba.

The granting this privilege of the Jewels necessitated a change in those worn, which had hitherto been of silver. Accordingly a very handsome regalia was procured from a Montreal firm at a cost of (?), and those on hand were disposed of to St. John's Lodge, a grandchild of Prince Rupert's, which had lately put in a claim for existence, and was then under dispensation for the sum of $50. This figure was subsequently reduced to $25 in order not to bear too hardly on the slender resources of the young Lodge. I believe, however, that it is still gathering interest, even at the latter figure.

Thus far, then Brethren, we have followed the history of our Lodge from the time of its formation in 1870 to the time of its taking its place as the Senior Lodge on the G.R. of M. in 1875. During that time, the growth of Masonry had been something marvellous. Prince Rupert's book contained over 130 names; two new Lodges had sprung into existence, viz., Ancient Landmark of whose formation we have already taken notice, and Lisgar Lodge at the Stone Fort, and already the formation of others, now in existence, was mooted.

Hitherto, everything had gone merrily as a marriage bell, the only strife between the Brethren, being as to who should excel in kindly feeling and hospitality one to another, and in forwarding to the utmost, the best interests of Masonry, but as this was not to continue, the handwriting was on the wall, foretelling the trouble that has since arisen, but unfortunately the warning was unheeded, and the course that should have been adopted at the very outset of the trouble, was left to more convenient season, and the disease which might have been checked and totally eradicated at its first appearance by a little firm treatment has now spread to such an extent that it has endeavored to infect the very land, that in mistaken kindness, spared. But to cease speaking in enigmas, I allude, as the Brethren well know, to the introduction of the American Ritual into our midst. The Brethren of Prince Rupert's and Lisgar Lodges, I am ashamed to say, slumbered and slept, whilst this system was allowed to take root and flourish and with shortsighted policy, they complacently folded their hands and looked on at the formation of new Lodges whose working was familiar, in the majority of cases, only to those Brethren who hailed from the United States. So soon was the dream of the little band of seven who first planted Masonry on these shores, to be dispelled. The hope that the fraternity of the North West would continue to be as one Lodge has been broken, and today we have Lodges in which a Brother from Ontario might think he had made a mistake in the Order to which they belonged, were it not for certain tokens which no Masonic system can ignore; in all other respects, nothing is familiar or homelike. This, however, is not the worst feature of the case. The Brethren who introduced this alien system should have accepted the courtesy which permitted its practice, in view of the fact that occasionally a Brother or two dropped in from across the line, and not have repaid with ingratitude, the kindness that spared them their existence in their infancy. What can we think of a system that teaches its followers to take advantage of the accidental weakness of a Brother, however admirable may be the appearance of its form? There must be a deficiency somewhere. At our last G.L. meeting in June of the current year, the Brethren of Prince Rupert's, Lisgar, and Emerson Lodges, all working under the Canadian system, the same which prevails in the G.L. of England, were rudely wakened from their apathy and made conscious of the fact that the stranger they had admitted as the guest, had suddenly taken advantage of an unguarded moment to deprive them of their heritage, or force them to bend the neck to a foreign yoke. In a few words then, taking advantage at last G.L. meeting, of the absence of representatives from those Lodges working under the Canadian Ritual, who from bad roads and other good causes, were unavoidably kept away, and depriving the representatives of Emerson Lodge of a vote, on the plea of being under dispensation,

though they had a right to claim it by courtesy and precedent, the representatives of St. John's Lodge, the previous year having been accorded all their privileges, though also at that time, U. D, disregarding the solemn protests of Masons high in rank and years, as to the disastrous effect such a proceeding would have upon the welfare of the Craft, and by the unparalleled spectacle of the G.M. elect, upon taking his seat, immediately reverting a decision of the retiring G.M. whose position and long experience should have entitled his opinion to some respect, by such means as these were a minority enabled for the time being to force this unwelcome system upon the acceptance of the majority.

What has been the result of this questionable triumph upon the fortunes of Prince Rupert's? Truly we might be well content with the present policy, if we had only ourselves to think of, never before has Prince Rupert's Lodge been in such a flourishing condition, under the able and energetic management of our worthy M., efficiently assisted as he has been by Bro. J. Villiers, S.W., and Bro. W. G. Scott, J.W. Our members have steadily increased, our financial condition is good, our work is well performed and with the best material. But Brethren, let us bear in mind that though under these adverse circumstances we have flourished, yet in other parts of the Province, Masonry has been paralyzed. Lodges that would have been formed under other circumstances are held in abeyance, the Charters of some existing Lodges are coveted, and a feeling of suspicion and distrust is abroad, very incompatible with the teachings of our Creed. These are unpleasant truths, but we must not be afraid to look them squarely in the face on that account; difficulties fairly met are half conquered and it rests very much with Prince Rupert's to say whether she is really to be the No. 1 Lodge of the Province, the teacher and pattern of Masonry in the North West, the destiny that was intended, for her, or whether she is to sink into isolated insignificance, carrying no weight or influence outside of her own councils."

This is the story as it was written over sixty years ago.—The original manuscript has been carefully copied. The justification for making it the basis of your Grand Historian's report is that the passage of time inevitably robs us of the personal touch of the men who participated in important events. Here, we present the actual record and it is fraternally submitted with many happy recollections of Worshipful Brother Carruthers, the author of the article.

WILLIAM DOUGLAS,
Grand Historian.

On motion of M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), seconded by M.W. Bro. George Hunter (10), the report was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE AND APPEALS

To the Most Worshipful, The Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals begs to report as follows:

During the year last passed three questions have been submitted to your Committee by the Board of General Purposes and all have been dealt with as follows:

The first question was a resolution passed by a Constituent Lodge in this Province, requesting that the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, write every Lodge in the Grand Jurisdiction, warning the brethren against association with or membership in bodies which have been outlawed by the Parliament of Canada for subversive activities and suggesting certain definite penalties. While your Committee was in sympathy with the principle involved in the request we believed that, strictly speaking, the matter did not come within the scope of the duties of your Committee as laid down in the constitution. It appeared that the request presupposed that Lodges throughout this Grand Jurisdiction were honeycombed with men actively engaged in subversive undertakings which your Committee believed is not a fact. In case there are Lodges in this Jurisdiction where difficulties of that kind have arisen, your Committee pointed out that the machinery for coping with same was already in the hands of all Lodges. Reference was made to the applicable sections of the Book of Constitution. It was the opinion of your Committee that it would be unwise to circularize Lodges or Worshipful Masters as suggested in said request. If, however, the Most Worshipful, The Grand Master, wished to send to any Worshipful Masters some message stressing their responsibility under the Constitution, we could see nothing unconstitutional in his so doing. Your Committee reported to the Board of General Purposes accordingly.

The second question was that of an application to the Province of Manitoba for the incorporation of "The Chinese Freemasons of Winnipeg Co., Ltd." Your Committee was successful in preventing the issue of a Charter under such Company name, and the Chairman on being questioned by the Department gave assurance that no objections would be raised in granting a Charter giving a corporate name which contained no words which referred to or could be confounded with "Freemasonry" or the words "Masonic," "Freemasons" or other words of similar import. The Charter was issued granting the Company the

following corporate name, "Winnipeg Chee Kung Tong Bak Gee Woy Co., Ltd." The translation which your Committee has been able to obtain for that name makes it plain that it is simply the Chinese words for "The Winnipeg Masonic Chinese Benevolent Society Ltd." The Committee then protested to the Department which declined to make any change, pointing out that the Charter was already issued. The Committee, however, filed with the said Department its objections purporting to reserve to the Grand Lodge the right to make further protest should the said Company at any time in the future use the English translation for its corporate name or in any way hold itself out as a body of Freemasonry, and to take such action as the Grand Lodge may deem ample.

The third question referred to your Committee was a charge purporting to be laid by certain brethren of Midlothian Lodge No. 90, charging that Bro. . . . . had been charged with obtaining money under false pretense in July, 1940, had pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one year in gaol. The charge expressed the desire of the Lodge that the brother should be expelled from the Order. Since this was the first charge of Masonic Offence lodged under the new Constitution, and since the Board of General Purposes thought it wise that a form of charge should be so framed as to form a precedent for future cases, the matter was referred to your Committee. After ascertaining the facts, your Committee drafted a charge suitable to the circumstances and had same forwarded to the Secretary of the Lodge in question so that the Lodge could constitutionally prosecute its charge under the terms and provisions of the new Constitution.

Your Committee desires to commend the fine spirit of service and co-operation which has been evident throughout the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction in the year last past, made evident by the fact that the Grand Master has not deemed it necessary to make any rulings as affecting the Craft.

In conclusion your committee wishes to offer congratulations to the Most Worshipful The Grand Master, and to the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge for the harmonious relations which have existed during the year. We wish also to extend our thanks to the Right Worshipful, The Grand Secretary, for the able assistance which he was always so ready and willing to give your Committee in discharging its duties,

All of which is fraternally submitted.

STANLEY H. FAHRNI,
Chairman, Committee on Jurisprudence
and Appeals.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni (11), seconded by R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green (143), the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF FREEMASONRY

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes, through its Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, begs to report as follows:

One of the duties of this committee is to make a close study of the conditions of Freemasonry in this Grand Jurisdiction. Your committee has endeavored to do this by careful study of the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters and of the Secretaries of the various constituent Lodges, and by personal contacts through attendance at District meetings and Lodge meetings throughout the year. Returns from Lodges show a slight decrease in membership, but the reports from the District Deputy Grand Masters indicate a healthy condition generally.

During the year under review no Lodge has become dormant, no Lodge has asked permission to surrender its Charter, neither has there been any Lodge under dispensation, so that the committee has not been called upon to investigate or report with regard to any of these matters.

From the financial viewpoint most of our Lodges are in a sound position, and the total net assets are shown to be $422,000. It is important in considering this amount, to bear in mind that there is a wide variation in the assets of different Lodges. For example, one Lodge is shown to possess net assets of over $46,000, while a Lodge at the other extreme has only $100.

These net assets do not include the amounts in arrear for dues. Once again, attention must be drawn to the unsatisfactory condition of the Lodges generally with regard to the matter of arrears; and the attention of Masters and Secretaries is directed to the provisions of Section 227 of the Constitution which deals with this subject. It is impossible, in many cases to reconcile the figures shown by Secretaries on Form 20 with this Section

which provides that suspension for non-payment of dues is automatically effective with respect to all members who, on the 31st day of December in any year, are in arrear for the then current year's dues and the dues for the preceding year. Nevertheless, the Form 20 returns by Secrtaries, in many instances show amount in arrear which can only be correct if dues for more than two years are being charged against some of the delinquent members. The total amount of arrears for the whole jurisdiction is shown as $26,044.

The amount expended directly by the constituent Lodges for charity and relief is $6,448.

In a number of Lodges the disbursements for the year have been in excess of the receipts for the year, even when initiation fees are treated as current revenue. This is a condition which has drawn adverse comment from the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry in previous years, but the fault has not been remedied. In our opinion, every Lodge should so manage its finances that its expenditures do not exceed its current receipts from dues and investments. We believe, therefore, that Lodges as a rule, should not include initiation fees, or fees for affiliations in their items of current receipts, but that these fees should be set aside and added to the capital assets of the Lodge, to the end that financial stability may be assured. In some Lodges, failure to live within their incomes has already resulted in a condition which threatens their very existence.

From the Secretaries' reports on Form 20, a discouraging fact emerges with respect to the Study Groups. In the year 1933-'34 there were 73 Lodges with active study groups. Since that time there has been a continuous and rapid falling off in the number of study groups. In the year under review, the number has been reduced to only nineteen.

Most Lodges now have their historical registers kept efficiently, but there are exceptions, and it is recommended by your committee, that in these cases the District Deputy Grand Masters be asked to insist that these valuable records be brought up-to-date.

Some Lodges have failed to have their secretaries bonded. This, too, should have the attention of the District Deputy Grand Masters, who should make sure that the requirements in this regard as set out in S. S. (m) of Sec. 132 of the Constitution are fulfilled.

From a review of the reports sent in by the Secretaries on Form 20, it is apparent that while a very large majority of them

are careful, conscientious and efficient, there are some who, through lack of interest or incapacity, either do not understand, or understanding, do not properly complete their returns. In other cases, even when the returns have been completed, they are not forwarded to the Grand Secretary in time. Indeed, the Secretaries of two Lodges were so dilatory in sending their reports and these were not received by the Grand Secretary in time to be used in the preparation of the Statistical Tables for the year.

There is, perhaps, no office which so greatly determines a Lodge's efficiency as that of Secretary. A Master is elected, occupies his chair in the East for a year, and then graduates to the ranks of the Past Masters. Secretaries, on the other hand, usually occupy that office for a long period of time, and the knowledge, diligence, tact and skill they show can assure a continuity which cannot be so well gained in any other way. The Secretary can be, and usually is, the guide, philosopher and friend of the other officers including the Worshipful Master, and can through his experience show them how to avoid many of the pitfalls which might otherwise beset them. It must be remembered too, that the maintenance of satisfactory co-operation between the Lodges and the Grand Lodge, depends upon the care with which the individual secretaries perform their duties. For these reasons your Committee strongly urges that very great care should be taken in the selection of the Secretary, and that only a member possessing the necessary qualifications be chosen. We believe that the office of Secretary, where possible, should be filled by a Past Master, whose ability and zeal for the Craft have been proven. For the assistance of Secretaries, and in order that there may be a better understanding of their duties, and too, as a medium of inspiration for the Lodges themselves, it is recommended to the incoming Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, that it should arrange a meeting of Secretaries, as soon as possible after this Communication of Grand Lodge. Very great benefit has resulted from the meetings of the newly elected District Deputy Grand Masters, and your Committee feels that similar benefit would result from a meeting of Secretaries.

It is not proposed to make a detailed report on the examination of Form 21 as submitted by the District Deputy Grand Masters, but we deem it advisable to deal with some matters which emerge for such examination. We call the attention of District Deputy Grand Masters to the importance of making their reports full and accurate, and of forwarding the report for each Lodge to the Grand Secretary immediately after the official visit. This will enable the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary to keep more closely in touch with the work of the District Deputy Grand Master, and to assist him whenever necessary. It will

also enable the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry to receive the report in good time, and if there is anything in the report which should receive attention, the committee is given a better opportunity of co-operating.

In our opinion, all of the District Officers should be men of experience in the work, and should be members of Grand Lodge; that is, they should be Past Masters, or sitting Masters or Wardens. As the sitting Masters and Wardens have their own duties to perform, and as in some sense they are called upon to undergo inspection and examination by the District Officers, it is the part of wisdom to select all District Officers from the Past Masters. In some cases, District Officers have been chosen, who were not even members of Grand Lodge. It is recommended that in the future, members of Grand Lodge, and they only, be elected or appointed to District offices. Under the amendment to the Constitution made at the last communication of Grand Lodge, District Deputy Grand Masters are now nominated and elected by ballot by the members of Grand Lodge from their respective districts in attendance at the annual communication. One of the purposes sought to be accomplished by this amendment was to avoid the unwise and unjustifiable practice which had arisen in some districts, of electing the District Deputy Grand Master from the Lodges, by a system of rotation. The chief object in view should be to choose the Past Master who is best fitted to fill the office and who can most successfully bring new life and interest to his Lodges. The District Deputy Grand Master, as his title indicates, is the Deputy and direct representative of the Grand Master. The same qualities of mind and heart should, therefore, be sought in selecting him as in the case of a Grand Master. The meeting which has been arranged for the newly elected District Deputy Grand Masters on Friday next should be of very great benefit, not only to them, but to the other Grand Lodge officers who attend it. It is expected that a better understanding of their duties and responsibilities will be obtained by the District Deputy Grand Masters, and that through personal acquaintance with one another and with other Grand Lodge officers, a fine spirit of co-operation will be engendered, while a common understanding of the difficulties and problems which face the Craft will result in a common determination to meet and overcome them. District Deputy Grand Masters serve as intermediaries and interpreters of Grand Lodge to the Lodges, and of the Lodges to Grand Lodge. Through their efforts a closer contact between the Lodges and Grand Lodge can be brought about, with a resultant realization of the unity and harmony which should exist within the Craft, of which Grand Lodge and the Lodges are complementary parts.

Your committee suggests that District Meetings should properly devote more time and create more intense interest in the study of Freemasonry, and the inculcating of its lessons, and to the general business of the Craft, and less time to the social aspects of the gatherings. We do not propose that the customary entertainment should be done away with, but we believe that in view of the conditions of today, and the necessity for the saving of all available funds for our country's war needs, no entertainment of a lavish kind should be provided. It might be well too, that programs at the refreshment hour be shortened so as to permit sufficient time being given to the more serious aspects of the meeting.

The Reports on the Condition of Freemasonry over a long period have recommended year after year that the District Deputy Grand Master witness the conferring of a degree in every Lodge officially visited by him, and that in any Lodge where a candidate is not available, the ceremony of conferring a degree be exemplified, using a member of the Lodge to represent the candidate. Despite these recommendations, the reports for the current year show that in most cases no degree was witnessed. A District Deputy Grand Master is required to answer for the information of your committee the question—"Can the Master confer the three degrees?" Since it is physically impossible for him to see all three degrees conferred in each Lodge in his District, we feel that if he has witnessed the conferring of one degree, and has been satisfied as to the deportment and skill of the Master, he may properly accept the opinion of competent Past Masters of the Lodge that the Master is capable of conferring the other degrees. However, it is difficult to understand how a District Deputy Grand Master can certify that a Master can confer the three degrees if he has not seen one of them conferred, and if, as is sometimes the case, there has been no candidate initiated in the Lodge during the time the Master has occupied his chair. We recommend that it be made a specific requirement that each District Deputy Grand Master witness the conferring of a degree by the sitting Master and his Officers at the time of his visit to the Lodge. The Masters of all Lodges should be notified that they will be expected to confer or exemplify a degree at the time of the official visit. Your committee has reached the conclusion that many Masters have passed through the chairs who are unable to confer in its entirety any degree, much less all three degrees. We suggest for the consideration of the incoming committee some plan to make sure that every Master is able to confer all three degrees before his term of office expires. One plan mentioned, which might receive consideration, is that every Junior Warden be required to fit himself to confer the Entered Apprentice Degree, as if he were

Master; that the Senior Warden, in addition to the Entered Apprentice Degree, should fit himself to confer the Fellowcraft Degree as if he were Master, so that when an officer reaches the Master's chair, he will require to qualify himself for the conferring of the Master Mason's Degree.

From the reports of District Deputy Grand Masters of some districts it appears that serious consideration has been given to the amalgamation of Lodges, where, through changed conditions of population or for other reasons, the field available to Freemasonry has been narrowed to a point where a Lodge may be unable to survive. We recommend that in the ensuing year, this matter receive the earnest attention of the District Deputy Grand Masters, and the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry.

Your Committee is deeply concerned about the number of Lodges where several of the Junior Officers have been absent from the meeting at which the District Deputy Grand Master was paying his official visit. This state of affairs has continued for some years and it shows no sign of improvement. The occasion of this visit is the most important in the Masonic year, and it may well be assumed that if these delinquent officers ignore the District Deputy Grand Master and his high position, they will not bother much about the ordinary meetings of the Lodge. The Reports for the past year show that more than one District Deputy Grand Master has deemed it necessary to deplore this lack of interest. From the Junior Officers of a Lodge the future rulers of the Craft are to be chosen and if they shirk their responsibilities, the Lodge is certain to be affected detrimentally. The remedy lies with the Lodge itself. Under Sec. 134 of the Constitution "Any Officer of a Lodge except the Master may be dismissed from office at any regular meeting for cause deemed sufficient by a majority of the members present . . . ."

The most serious problem facing the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction is the dearth of new candidates. This condition must occasion serious heart-searching on the part of all of us, because we have a deep and abiding love for the fraternity and because we are convinced of its good effects and its beneficent influence in the community. The beautiful and soul-stirring service of dedication at the Winnipeg Auditorium in November last, followed by church services of Districts, and Lodges throughout the Jurisdiction has done much to quicken interest in the Craft. The opportunity of making some sacrifice on the altar of Freemasonry afforded through the War Effort Fund has also brought about a quickening of interest. But there is a great work still to do. It is necessary for us to search our own

consciences, and to judge fairly whether we have put forth honest efforts to live our daily lives in accord with the teachings of Freemasonry. Have the young men in our community learned to regard us as moral and spiritual leaders and have they been thereby impelled to seek membership in the Craft? We fear that on the whole the answer must be in the negative and that the dearth of petitions for membership in our Lodges may be a most serious indictment of ourselves. Masonry must continue as an instrument of good and to that end must attract to itself the best young men, so that they may hold high the torch of brotherly love, relief and truth, when those of us who now are charged with keeping alive the sacred Masonic fire have rested from our labors. If the light from our Masonic altar so shines as to command the respect and admiration of those living in our several communities, the world at large will be convinced of the value of Freemasonry.

The condition with which we are now dealing grows more serious with the passing of time. The average age of the members of the Craft is steadily rising, because, all of the present members are growing older, year by year, and there is not the influx of young men needed to keep that average down. If we are to regain and retain the life, vigor and vitality which our Lodges must have, we must convince young men that Freemasonry has something of peculiar value to give to them, and that it not only can serve them, but that they can serve it.

We record our deep appreciation of the services rendered by the District Deputy Grand Masters during the year. They have shown a commendable spirit of co-operation, and their reports have enabled your committee to make a comprehensive study of the many subjects with which we have been called upon to deal. We have pleasure in recommending that the Rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be conferred on each of the following:

R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, D.D.G.M., 1st Masonic District, Winnipeg.
R.W. Bro. J. McKenzie, D.D.G.M., 2nd Masonic District, Portage la Prairie.
R.W. Bro. D. MacDonald, D.D.G.M., 3rd Masonic District, Ninette.
R.W. Bro. W. A. Pommer, D.D.G.M., 4th Masonic District, Manitou.
R.W. Bro. C. H. Bayfield, D.D.G.M., 5th Masonic District, Shoal Lake.
R.W. Bro. A. E. Draper, D.D.G.M., 6th Masonic District, Elgin.
R.W. Bro. Dr. O. S. Ross, D.D.G.M., 7th Masonic District, Virden.
R.W. Bro. W.C. McDonald, D.D.G.M., 8th Masonic District, Roland.
R.W. Bro. J. M. Bateman, D.D.G.M., 9th Masonic District, Dauphin.

R.W. Bro. F. W. Brownell, D.D.G.M., 10th Masonic District, Winnipeg.
R.W. Bro. Alf. Phillips, D.D.G.M., 12th Masonic District, Winnipeg.

Fraternally submitted,
BEN. C. PARKER,
Chairman,
Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4), seconded by M.W. Bro. George Hunter (10), the report of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Correspondence herewith submits its Annual Review of the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges which have been received.

During the year, Masonry has continued to feel the harsh heel of the dictator on the Continent of Europe. Countless news items have told the grim story of the destruction of Lodges and brutal treatment of members, whose only crime was that they were Masons. How far and in what direction the dictators will reach in days to come only the future can tell. Certain is the fate of Masonry when the dictator comes into power.

In the interest of all concerned, further recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges will probably be delayed till peace times return again.

England's membership has shown a substantial gain. The small Lodges which are encouraged there and the disapproval of the so-called "higher" bodies by the Grand Lodge, are said by Englishmen to be strong contributing factors in this growth.

Conditions in general throughout the Craft showed improvement, increased attendance, applications for the degrees likewise were more numerous, while losses were distinctly less. The

loss for the year was so small compared to other years that one is lead to believe that the time is near at hand when an actual increase will be the order.

So, with continuing faith in the future of this Grand Lodge, your Committee respectfully submits its review.

Fraternally submitted,
HUGH M. KERR,
Chairman.

On motion of R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr (113), seconded by R. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), the report of the Committee on Correspondence was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Investments, begs to report as follows:

For the year ending March 31st, 1941, the investments of Grand Lodge show an increase over the previous year of $5,725.88. These investments will, however, be somewhat reduced when decision has been made as to Real Estate at 66 Waterloo St., Winnipeg, for which the Grand Lodge now holds title.

There has been no change during the year with respect to the $10,000 of Alberta Bonds on which no revenue has been received for five years. The Investment Committee are of the same opinion as previous Committees, viz., that one-half of the rate agreed upon is not acceptable at the present time.

Mortgage Loans have been reduced from $12,037.05 to $8,439.63, a reduction of $3,597.42. This is accounted for by one mortgage maturing and being paid off and title being secured for 66 Waterloo St., which is now shown under Real Estate.

The amount shown under Real Estate is increased from $35,431.98 to $44,135.95, which is accounted for by including 66 Waterloo St. under this heading rather than under Mortgage

Loans. In connection with Real Estate, a considerable sum must be expended on property at 275 Harvard Ave. to place in good order and save further deterioration.

The Par value of Bonds owned by Grand Lodge amount to $229,933.33 as against $227,500.00 last year. This difference is made up by the purchase for $2,433.33 of the City of Winnipeg debentures.

Total Assets of Grand Lodge amount to $283,508.12 as against $277,782.24 last year, an increase of $5,725.88.

Returns on Investments are satisfactory with the exception of the Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) of First War Loan Bonds, and Alberta Bonds in the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00). The situation has not improved with respect to re-investment in Bonds of stability which will guarantee a satisfactory return in interest.

The Investment Committee has given considerable thought to the property at 66 Waterloo Street, Winnipeg. Due to the size of this home, it does not seem possible to either sell or rent same. It is necessary to keep the house and grounds in good repair, and over the last few years considerable sums have been spent in this connection.

The Investment Committee has been fortunate in having the professional services of our Grand Secretary. Due to his long experience in connection with buildings in the City of Winnipeg, we have the benefit of his knowledge and comprehension which has been of inestimable value to the Investment Committee.

The sum of $6,155.30 has been disbursed to the Beneficiary Fund during the year.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,
H. T. WATERS.

It is moved by R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters (25), seconded by R.W. Bro. Wm. McLellan (114), that the report of the Committee on Investments be received and adopted.

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment by Most Worshipful Bro. J. J. Henderson, Grand Master, at 12:20 p.m. until 2:30 p.m.

LUNCHEON

Luncheon was given the members of Grand Lodge and Distinguished Visitors at the Royal Alexandra Hotel, at 12:30 noon, by the Masons of the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts, under the auspices of the Past Masters' Association of Winnipeg, W. Bro. George Florence (146), President of the Association presided.

Bro. Wilf. Davidson entertained the guests with several delightful solos, his accompanist was V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon, Grand Organist.

W. Bro. George Florence, the Chairman, in his very happy remarks gave a warm welcome to all present, and then introduced the guest Speaker, W. Bro. Rev. Russell McGillivray, B.A., B.D., Minister of Augustine Church, Winnipeg, who gave the following address.

ADDRESS OF
W. BRO. REV. RUSSELL McGILLIVRAY, B.A., B.D.

Mr. Chairman, the Grand Master and Brethren all: It is a great event in my life to speak to such a gathering as this. I never dreamed of the possibility of speaking in front of the Grand Master, and in the presence of the members of Grand Lodge. You see when I was master of a lodge it was a humble village lodge in the county of Northumberland, in the Province of Ontario. In those days it was a wonderful privilege to get up to Grand Lodge and to be allowed in. As for addressing Grand Lodge it was a thing never dreamed of, and if you did dream of it it would be a nightmare. I have only one dream now to be fulfilled in my own life in speaking to a group. I attended the University of Toronto and occasionally there used to be great gatherings in Convocation; distinguished men gave addresses, and I was always impressed. I used to think that some day when I became a most distinguished graduate of the University it would be the most natural thing for the University to honor that graduate, and I would stand on the platform and give the students the dickens just as those distinguished men gave it to us. The only difficulty about it was that these

men who came to us—I hope none of them are here—always looked as if they knew everything, and talked just the same, and I am not getting away with that. I don't say I don't know everything but I can't look that way.

Now I would like to talk with you for a while about the present situation; how in the present situation we can do things. We are doing a lot today; we are lamenting a good deal about the fix we are in, and explaining how we got there; that we were all wrong at Versailles, the League of Nations didn't work out; somebody had a fool notion about disarmament, and persuaded too many people. Somebody else thought we could appease mad dogs and went in for appeasement. Those things were a failure, and right from 1919 until recently they account for the mess, and we wring our hands and cry, but we can cry as much as we like, it won't change the present situation. We may get our history and facts ready, to find out the cause but it won't change the present hour. The fact of the matter is that some people who are concerned about the present hour would be satisfied if we stay as cry-babies. Then on the other side a lot of people are very busy today painting pictures, very interesting word picturees they are, of what it is going to be like in the post-war world. It is great to take a lot of time and size up these picturees and get your blue-prints all ready, but the fact of the matter is we can get the whole city laid out in that city that is to be, and all our laying out will not have one thing to do with the present situation, now. In the words of the song that some of you know from your background, "Now is the day, and now is the hour". It is not what we failed to do in 1919, it is not what we may be able to do in 1945; it is what we have to do in 1941. Now in any points that I have tried to make in these few minutes I shall be charged with two things: somebody will say I am a pessimist; go to it! I don't mind being called gloomy; one of the keenest men in the world was called "the gloomy dean". Some will say I am not giving credit for what has been done, but I am, but I don't believe enough has been done in many lines now; the credit is O.K.; don't let us get fogged up by giving too much credit, to imagine we have finished any job.

You take for instance a suggestion that is made that in that brave new world all the things of Democracy are going to be glorious; there are not going to be any interests; there is only to be one interest, and that is, the good of the people, the welfare of all. Men are not going to clamour for office, and when they do get into office they are going to accept it as a responsibility, that they will never use the power selfishly for friends or party —in that brave new day. They say that democracy, if it has failed, will fail no more; democracy will be real; we will be hitting on all cylinders; we shall mean every word we say when we repeat "Government of the people by the people for the people", in that brave new world. If that is to be true in 1950, why, under the pressure of today, in 1941—why cannot these things be the impelling motive now? If the welfare of the people is of supreme importance in 1950 the welfare of the people is the supreme interest now. No interest of any kind should be able to compete with the general good, and if it is true that men are going to accept office as a responsibility of their citizenship, to forget party lines, to forget all the selfish things that have been too real in our Government life, then why not make those things true now? Why wait until some pressure comes that is more intense than that of today; why not now?

We are told that in that brave new world industry is going to find solutions for its problems; that labor of course will organize, that capital will organize, but they will not organize to destroy each other; they will organize to get the job done because the job will need to be done in that new world.

There will no longer be long streams of drab ugly unthinkable tenement houses, no longer the pressure of fear of unemployment, and there will no longer be the horror of extravagance and luxury of the new rich or the old rich. Life will not be uninteresting, it will not be the dead level of any Communistic existence. Life will be fair, not dominated by anything as high-flown as justice, but controlled by decent everyday fairness as man to man in getting the job of life done, and getting the things done that go under

the general heading of industry. Now my friends, if that is to be true in the brave new world why in the world can't it be true now? We have more of a job of work to do now than we are ever likely to have; we should be working together, not working against each other, and if we believe what we are saying, labor and capital should see to it that the solutions which they say are round the corner should be dragged away from round the corner and brought to the forefront of our situation today. I contend today that that is not true in our industrial set-up in the Dominion of Canada; we have not yet in labor and in capital been seized by the imperative nature of the job we are facing in 1941. I talked to a workman yesterday; he said he had to go to work fifteen minutes before his hour in order to get certain explanations from the last shift, and stay fifteen minutes after his time in order to make explanations to the next shift, and he said "I am getting half an hour overtime for that." I said "Do you mean to say you are sticking the Company for that?" He said "I sure am, they are sticking me plenty." He in making war material and the Company is on war work. Now they think they are going to iron that out some day. I would like to see them iron it out now; we need it now.

Then we turn to a field that perhaps I know better about than politics and industry—the field of the church. There I have to go kind of easy because there are a number of ministers present, and the door is on the other side of the room. I hear a number of great things about what the church is going to do after the war. They are not going to build churches, as we know churches, any more; they are going to build so that a community can be served; they are not going to be concerned about love of institution but about human love. They are going to be satisfied with helping the questing soul of man to find the way of life; they are not any longer going to say one way is right and one way is wrong; that there is one true church and others are not true; they are not going to speak any longer of "inside" and "outside", but as men are groping and hungering we are going to meet that situation as those who believe not only in human language but in the call of human per-

sonality as being of exceeding more importance than any institution, no matter how great the church may be. That is going to be a great thing in the days to come; why not now? We need it now. We need that spirit to pervade our life now. Men are asking more questions now than probably they will be in 1950; there will likely be more broken hearts in 1941 than 1951; there are more chances to serve today than there may be in those days to come; who knows what those days may bring? I illustrate from my own church—any members of my church can drag me on the carpet for this—but we have been concerned about a movement to raise a sum of money to clear a deficit of 1,700,000 dollars seven years from now—a laudable enterprise. The churches of the old land for the first time ask us for help, for fifty thousand dollars. We have been trying now for nearly six weeks in the whole of Canada to get fifty thousand dollars to send across to our brethren in the old land. At the last printing of our paper we had 21,000 dollars, not half of the fifty thousand. We are doing well about the other matter of clearing our own deficit in seven years from now, but my contention is that "seven years from now" will have to take care of itself. We may go a thousand times broke seven years from now, but if my brother overseas wants any of my money now, now is the time to get it. It won't help him a bit for me to tell him that I am going to be sitting pretty in a post-war world when his church and manse have been smashed to bits and he thrown on the street; it is NOW when the money should be going.

I have been going up and down Canada; I believe in Canada; I believe in the Canadian people; I am glad there is no state church in Canada; I don't believe in the domination of another church, but I do challenge the churches of Canada that if they are going to be worthy of victory they should be worthy of the strain of NOW. They should get together now to face human need in the human way if they are so sure they are going to face it in the post-war world.

Finally, we need to think of ourselves. It has been great to pan the politicians and the industrialists and the labor people, and the archbishops and bishops; now we

think of ourselves for a minute. You know in any great new world that is to be, you and I could spoil it; it could not be without us; it will mean that there is to be that kind of a world, and we will discipline ourselves, and we will handle greed, handle selfishness; we will not get a new set of words; there will be the old words; truth and beauty and goodness and brotherhood. We will say that if we are spared to see that fair new world we will make this thing one hundred per cent real, that when a man says he is for the truth, he will be for the truth, and when he says he will be for the beauty of life he will be for the beauty of life, and when he says he is for the goodness of life he will be, and when he says he will be a brother he will be a brother; the bonds of fellowship will mean what they are supposed to mean in that new world. We have the words, now we have the opportunity; we have a need now, I think, deeper than the need that will be, and it does seem to me that you and I might take those great words—you and I know how we feel in the challenge of those great words, how necessary the fulfilment of those words will be for a decent world. You and I take those words, and in our hearts we make a pledge right now, a pledge to ourselves that in this world of pressure and need and call for sacrifice we will make them have, as far as we can, their full meaning, not then, but NOW.

W. Bro. C. E. Graham moved a vote of thanks and appreciation to W. Bro. McGillivray for his splendid address, which received the enthusiastic support of the brethren.

Second Day
Afternoon Session

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by Most Worshipful Bro. J. J. Henderson, Grand Master, at 2:30 p.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES—Continued

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Finance begs to submit the following report:

Meetings of the Finance Committee have been held at least once each month, and all matters brought to its attention have been carefully dealt with. All accounts presented by the Grand Secretary have been scrutinized and approved for payment.

The Grand Secretary continues to keep a close supervision over all expenditures. The healthy condition of the Grand Lodge's finances are in no small measure due to the careful and watchful eye given by this efficient officer of the Grand Lodge.

The Aulitors' Report shows a net operating profit for the year of $766.72 in the general fund. This, however, is offset by a donation of $5,000.00 made by the Grand Lodge to the Dominion Government War Fund early in the current year. Hence there is actually a net deficit of $4,233.28 on the year's operations.

The Report of the Auditors on the finances of Grand Lodge as at March 31st, 1941, has been examined, and your committee believe it presents a true and correct account of the financial standing of Grand Lodge as at that date.

Your Finance Committee has prepared and herewith submits for your consideration, a statement of the approximate Income and expenditure for the year ending March 31st, 1942.

INCOME

Dues	$ 9,000.00
Initiations & M.M. Certificates	800.00
Past Masters' Certificates	70.00
Life Members' Fees	450.00
Life Members' Certificates	90.00
Dispensations	80.00
Supplies	350.00
	$10,840.00

EXPENDITURES

Salaries	$ 4,200.00	
Rent	1,000.00	
Postage and Stamp Tax	265.00	
Stationery and Office Supplies	225.00	
Lodge Supplies	475.00	
Grand Master's Expense	500.00	
Grand Lodge Communication Expense	600.00	
Grand Lodge Proceedings	690.00	
Grand Lodge Travelling Expense	250.00	
Library Maintenance	1,200.00	
Grand Master's Regalia & P.G.M. Jewel	300.00	
Auditing	150.00	
Telephones, Telegrams, etc.	125.00	
Warning Circulars & Masonic Relief Ass'n	85.00	
Miscellaneous	475.00	
		$10,540.00

Fraternally submitted,
CHARLES A. MIDWINTER,
Chairman.

On motion of R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter (111), seconded by R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood (144), the report of the Finance Committee was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

To The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Benevolence submits its report for the past year. Committee meetings were held on July 16th, October 31st, December 10th, 1940, February 13th, March 18th and May 22nd, 1941, a total of six meetings,

Eighty cases were reviewed and the necessary action taken. The number of Beneficiaries receiving assistance at present is 54. During the year ten additional names were added for assistance, and ten taken off, due to passing on to the great beyond and changed circumstances, which made further assistance unnecessary. We are pleased to report that some Beneficiaries themselves requested the assistance they were receiving to be discontinued.

The earnings of the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund were sufficient to meet the necessary grants and this Committee acknowledges with thanks, donations from the following Lodges:

Hiram Lodge No. 94	$ 15.00
Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100	10.00
Thos. Hardy, Lodge No. 134	1.00
Glenboro Lodge No. 48	15.00
Manitou Lodge No. 30	10.00
Vermillion Lodge No. 68	50.00
Brandon Lodge No. 19	17.00
Shoal Lake Lodge No. 92	1.50
Foxwarren Lodge No. 152	5.00
Flin Flon Lodge No. 153	25.00
Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3	300.00
McCreary Lodge No. 133	5.00
	$454.50

The Committee meets whenever necessary; in some cases the applications would be decided very much quicker if the Lodge sending in the application would be careful to give full particulars, particularly if the applicant has children and of their ability to render support to their parents. Another point that is never very clearly stated is, if the applicant is eligible for

Old Age Pension, and if so, has an application been made for same. The reason the Committee would like definite information with the application from the Lodge is, that it has a very definite bearing on the amount the Committee can grant. In some cases, the Committee would like to increase its monthly grant, but if it did, the pension would be reduced. Another point that should be carefully answered when the application is made, is if they own any property. Some applicants have property for which there is no sale, but the particulars should be stated on the form when it is sent in. If these points were clearly stated, quicker action would be the result.

The Committee thanks R.W. Bro. Russell, Grand Secretary, for the very valuable service rendered.

Fraternally submitted,
A. H. STEVENTON,
Chairman.

On motion of R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon (3), seconded by M.W. Bro. George Hunter (10), the report of the Committee on Benevolence was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Masonic Research and Education begs to report as follows:

One of the chief objectives of your Committee during the past year has been the advertising of the Library. With this in view, a copy of a Masonic Study pamphlet prepared by one of the former Committees on Masonic Research, and containing three articles by members of the Committee, short reviews and lists giving the titles of several of the books contained in the Library, was forwarded to all Brethren who had received their Master Mason Degree during the period between January 1st to June 18th, 1940. In addition to this, the Librarian was instructed to and did attend all District Meetings in the Jurisdiction and address the Brethren on the purpose of the Library, its present location, its usefulness as a Department of Grand Lodge, and the reading material it contains.

Later in the year a second questionnaire prepared from sections of the Constitution which had not previously been dealt

with, was sent out to all the Constituent Lodges in the Jurisdiction. Your Committee has reason to believe that this will be the means of causing Officers and Brethren to familiarize themselves with the provisions of the Constitution, and that way lessen the volume of correspondence between the various Lodges and the Grand Secretary's office. A copy of the address delivered by R.W. Brother G. R. Calvert, Deputy Grand Master, was also sent to each Lodge by request of the War Effort Committee, with the suggestion that it be read at the next Regular Meeting following its receipt.

While your Committee is doing all in its power to stress the value of the Library to every member of the Craft in the Jurisdiction, especially those who have only recently joined its ranks, it cannot and does not hope to accomplish all it would like to do, unless it can count on the wholehearted support and co-operation of the Masters and Secretaries of all Constituent Lodges. Masters especially are strongly urged to bring to the attention of every candidate immediately he has received his Master Mason Degree, the benefits in the way of Masonic Education and Recreation that the Library affords.

Visitors were frequent in the Library during the past year, some had never been inside it before, and came to find out its location, others to make use of the material on its shelves for the purpose of preparing addresses, or to take away books for home reading.

It is the intention of the Librarian during the coming year, to introduce a "Visitors' Book" in which a record of all visitors to the Library may be kept, showing the names of the Lodges to which they belong, their jurisdiction if outside Manitoba, and the purpose of their visit.

Your Committee feels that it should make mention here of the inconvenience that is experienced in some cases through Brethren neglecting to return books to the Library as soon as they have read them. It is realized that this neglect on the part of the Brethren concerned, is due usually to carelessness or forgetfulness, and your Committee asks for the kindly co-operation of all Brethren using the Library to remedy this situation.

During the period between May 1st, 1940, and March 31st, 1941, the number of books loaned to members of the various Masonic Districts was as follows:

First	74	Seventh	1
Second	13	Eighth	16
Third	10	Ninth	15
Fourth	5	Tenth	46
Fifth	12	Twelfth	44
Sixth	28		

During the same period there were 46 Lodges in the Jurisdiction whose members did not make any use of the Library.

The work of your Committee has been pretty well limited during the last year to promoting the effectiveness of the Library. Your Committee feels that the Craft as a whole, may receive a broad Masonic education and conduct wide Masonic research by using the facilities that the library presently offers. Once these facilities are exhausted the library can easily be extended to meet increased demands.

Your Committee wish to express their appreciation of the splendid co-operation and support accorded to their efforts by the Grand Librarian, R.W. Bro. Somerset, and the Librarian in charge, M.W. Bro. Harry Woods.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. D. LAWRENCE,
Chairman.

REPORT OF GRAND LODGE LIBRARIAN

To M.W. Brother W. D. Lawrence, Chairman of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:

Herewith find report of the Grand Librarian for the year ended March 31st, 1941.

The interest in the Library has not decreased during the year, and in spite of the conditions which prevail in the world today, there has been an increase in the issue of books and other literature over that reported for the previous year.

We have to thank the widow of the late R.W. Brother Arnold Smith, Brother H. G. Franklin, and Brother G. A. Noble, for books donated to the Library, and wish to assure our friends that books on Masonic matters are always very welcome.

M.W. Brother Harry Woods, our Librarian, has done faithful work, and has visited many District Meetings, and Constituent Lodges, setting forth the claims of the Library.

While we are anxious to issue books, will those who borrow please return promptly.

The following list shows the books and other literature sent out from the Library during the past year:

Encyclopaedias, etc.	16
History and Philosophy	39
Symbolism	74
Freemasonry and Citizenship	1
Rites, Degrees, Manuals	29
Biography	2
History, Geographical Divisions	10
General Works	2
Ceremonies, etc.	2
Jewels, Medals, etc.	2
Jurisprudence	2
Art and Literature	2
Addresses, Lectures, etc.	14
Poetry and Drama	10
Novels and Tales	24
Miscellaneous, Masonry	2
Miscellaneous, not Masonry	26
Proceedings	7
Clippings from Magazines	8
Questionnaire, Constitution	104
Address, Deputy Grand Master	104
Pamphlets to Initiates	167

The following books were donated to the Library during the year:

Freemasonry in Manitoba
Cyclopaedia of Freemasonry
Masonic Poems
Masonic Musical Ritual
Book of Boumi, Story of the Mystic Shrine
— By the Widow of the late R.W. Brother Arnold Smith

Sesqui Centennial, Initiation of Brother George Washington — By Brother H. G. Franklin

The World's Best Jokes .....
Walden, A Story of the Woods .....
The Light that Failed, etc., Vol. 2 .....
Eothen .....
Week on the Concord and Merrimac Rivers .....
What Wilson Did at Paris ..... } By Brother G. A. Noble
Stories that Take .....
Phrases for Public Speakers .....
Power Book Library, 3 Vols. (Power of Will, Business Power, Culture of Courage.) .....
How to Build Mental Power .....

Fraternally submitted,
C. E. SOMERSET,
Grand Librarian.

On motion of M.W. Bro. R. D. Lawrence (25), seconded by R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset (2), the reports of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education, and the Grand Librarian were received and adopted.

THE GRAND CHAPLAIN'S ADDRESS

The Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.,
Winnipeg, Man., June 5, 1941

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

It is a very great pleasure, and a privilege, highly esteemed by me, to bring to you my second message as your Grand Chaplain. In my humble and faltering way, I have tried faithfully to do my duty to all the responsibilities pertaining to the office of Grand Chaplain, to which, at the last communication of this Grand Lodge, you so graciously accorded me an acclamation. It has been an honor Most Worshipful Sir, to have served under your distinguished occupancy of the chair of Grand Master. May I express to

you and to the Officers and Members of this Grand Lodge deep appreciation for the unfailing courtesy extended to the Grand Chaplain at all times and on all occasions throughout the past year.

The incumbent of the office of Grand Chaplain is called upon at each communication of the Grand Lodge, to present to you, Sir, and to the members of Grand Lodge, not so much a report of his activities as a meditation or some inspirational address for the edification of the brethren, I now address myself to that task. We meet today under a cloud of war. With growing anxiety and concern we look out upon the scene of the conflict. The whole world is convulsed, and well-nigh panic is found among the nations. The story of the past year reveals the increasing menace of tyranny. Unscrupulous dictatorships reach out their poisonous tentacles, propelled by insidious propaganda and their utter disregard for human life, in a determined attempt to enslave the whole world. All the things we most treasure in life are now threatened. One by one the nations of Europe have been trampled under foot by the aggressor, traditional institutions are crumbling, sacred shrines and historical collections are reduced to ashes, and our very civilization is trembling. What word can be said today that can bring to us the poise and the steady confidence that will guide us through the darkening gloom of this hour? What has our Masonry to offer us for such a time as this? Let us, for a few minutes, make a voyage of discovery.

You need not be reminded again, that in the very centre of all our lodges, there is a sacred symbol. We do well, my brethren, to remember that God is and must be the heart and soul of our fraternity. To forget that is to make the whole Masonic genius of none effect. Our lodges should be for us all the temple of the living God, and unless we can enter into a companionship with Him, we are failing in the quest of our brotherhood. History reveals that there are occasions in the life of every one of us that the Unseen grows suddenly and coercively real, times when something, with its own inherent evidence speaks to us incontrovertibly. Someone,

alive and personal, has tracked us down. We become desperately aware of "that power, the not ourselves" which is "stronger than the iron hills, and gentler than a mother's love," and which "keeps watch within the shadows of life."

To reach such a steady awareness of the divine is by far the best and most important thing that can ever happen to us in this world. A father said to his son about to leave home to venture out upon his own career: "Count me among your resources". It is thus God speaks to every child of faith. He is our Banner, our Counsellor. He is to us the Strength, Wisdom and Beauty—the Strength that girds, the Wisdom that guides, the Beauty that by His enabling becomes, for us and through us, omnipotent to dare and to do. To miss this intimate partnership in our life must be the ultimate tragedy.

The volume of the Sacred Law upon our altar unfolds to succeeding generations a unique story of men and women who have experienced this awareness of God in their lives. From the opening prologue in Genesis to the last word of the last line of the apocalypse, the dominant note is, this man and that man saw God. Moses, wandering one day in troubled mood, along a lonely desert track, turned aside to see a bush on fire. Suddenly, almost before he realized what he was doing, he was removing his shoes and bowing his face to the earth. He stood on holy ground: he saw God. Isaiah, standing one day in the temple, a young aristocrat and courtier who had lost his beloved king, felt the very air beginning to tremble, and looking up, he saw that the place which had seemed to be so dim and empty a moment before was now flooded with a supernatural glory . . . "In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord." Ezekiel, sitting sad among the songless exiles by the irrigation canals of Babylon, watched with awe the heavens opening above his head. As his wandering gaze was drawn higher and still higher, he saw four living creatures, and above them the radiant firmament, and above the firmament a throne, and above the throne the face of the Lord God Almighty. John, the apocalyptist, exiled on Patmos for his faith, was worshipping in the spirit on the Lord's Day, when

suddenly, like a trumpet shattering the silence, a great voice pealed forth and cried: "I am Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last!" And turning swiftly around to find whence that strange voice came, he saw One whose eyes were like a flame of fire; whose face was as the sun shining in its strength, and John bears witness in these words: "When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead." All through the Scriptures, from the garden where God walked with man in the cool of the day to the conception of the Celestial City where the ransomed behold His glory, this is the refrain: "Also they saw God."

My brethren, you who are proud to bear the name of Mason, there is nothing our generation needs more urgently than to recapture that vision. Panaceas for our modern distresses are offered us in plenty. The solving word for our present day predicament, we are told, is education, or else it is evolution; or if not that, it is internationalism or political science, or economic readjustment, or humanism, or nationalism, communism, fascism, nazism or even psychology. But all these proffered remedies are a mere tinkering with the problem and man is beginning to see that unless some power from beyond us takes a grip of the situation, there is nothing before him but chaos and disaster. And this cannot just happen by some catastrophic intervention. Man has his part to play, and must accept full responsibility for the exercise of his faculties. It is simple truth to say that the prime necessity of the hour is a new discovery of God. As John Ruskin put it years ago, "It is not the weariness of mortality but the strength of divinity which we have to recognize; and that is just what we now never recognize, but think that we are to do great things by the help of iron bars and perspiration. Alas! we shall do nothing that way, but lose some pounds of our weight." In the better and more downright words of the Book of our Faith, "Where there is no vision, the people perish." Where there is no feeling for eternal things, any strutting tyranny, directed by unscrupulous propaganda, can devastate the world. There can be no recall to sanity, or equity or peace, till there has been a recall to God, symbolized for us Masons, by the Sacred Symbol at the centre of our lodges.

A great preacher and a good Freemason has put the thesis of this address in this way. "The conditions of life, under which we live today, its hectic pace, its hideous noises, its obsessive externality, its lack of rich inwardness, its clutter of things, and its confusion of voices, are a conspiracy against the ancient exhortation of the psalmist: "Be still, and know that I am God." This is our dilemma, as if we had all gone astray in our race for the means of living and lost the meaning of life.

True it is that our life today is an endless round of alternating strain and diversion. Our labor and concern are largely with the external, and there we seek, also, our recreations. We live in an age of the crowds, of mass-movement and mass thinking in which the individual is lost, or at least seems insignificant. Few know how to be alone, much less to live by their inner resources. The wealth and variety of the things we can do contrasts pitifully with the poverty of what we are. Day by day we live under a terrifice pressure of stress. As someone has said: "It is not we who do our duty, but duty that drives us to get itself done." Harnessed to the will and way of the world, harassed by its hot haste, we live by compulsions from without and not by initiatives from within; and when free of the grind we know not how to pass our time profitably. In no age has the soul been so enslaved, so caught and caged in a net, lost in the mass, and unable to be alone. It is no wonder that spiritual reality seems unreal, and men grope blindly, fumbling after some thread of all-sustaining truth, some way of unity in the midst of a maze."

My brethren, let us never forget, amid the symbols of our craft, what we so often and so sadly forget, that the most sacred shrine on earth is the soul of man; that the lodge and its offices are not ends in themselves, no matter how old and stately they may be, but means to the end that every human soul may become "jubilant and beholding," as Emerson would say, cleansed of evil and crowned with the glory of a God-illumined vision; that every human heart may be an altar of faith and hope, a sanctuary of purity and piety, a cathedral of serenity and gladness.

Permit me to close what I have tried to bring before you with these words by an unknown writer:

"Seven times ten billion cycles and this afternoon, at five,
Since the star-dust that we come from moved to show itself alive,
Souls aflame and hearts aburning, maidens loved and babies kissed,
Plato's thoughts and Shakespeare's measures — all emerged from mud and mist.
Worlds in trillions keep their orbits better than a clock keeps time:
What achievement for the star-dust! Wonderful for muck and slime!
Earth of beauty that we dwell in, safely here our feet have trod:
Oh, how credulous are critics who WILL not believe in God!"

P. T. PILKEY,
Grand Chaplain.

Most Worshipful Bro. J. J. Henderson, Grand Master, thanked our Grand Chaplain for his splendid address.

REPORT OF WAR EFFORT COMMITTEE

To The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba; Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

Most Worshipful Grand Master:

In submitting a report covering this special activity of Grand Lodge, the Committee charged with the duty of considering the matter of "War Effort," believe that we should prepare a complete summary of our work during the period which has elapsed since our Annual Communication held in June, 1940. Only from such a source can the Freemasons of tomorraw understand what the brethren of today undertook and accomplished in the service of our Empire.

We therefore set forth the full text of Preliminary Reports prepared by the Committee and unanimously adopted by the Board of General Purposes.

One Committee under the Chairmanship of R.W. Bro. G. R. Calvert has charge of the Service, which will be held at the Winnipeg Civic Auditorium on the 17th day of November, 1940, at the hour of Three-thirty o'clock in the afternoon. All of the Brethren are asked to be in their seats not later than Three-fifteen as the service is to be broadcast at Three-thirty sharp. The Second Committee, under the Chairmanship of M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas has charge of the securing of contributions in aid of the War Effort, while the Third Committee, under the Chairmanship of R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess, has charge of the work to be done in preparation for the reception of children from Overseas.

Each of these Committees is at work preparing details of the matters submitted to its care, and further information will be sent you from each Committee in due course.

In the meantime, the General Committee urges upon you that you put forth every effort at once to prepare for the making of the fullest contribution by your District and Lodge that no time will be lost and that you will be in a position to co-operate fully with the respective Committees when they communicate with you.

This is no time for Freemasons to be sitting back and wondering what can be done—this is the time for resolution! This is the time for every member of the Craft to say in sincerity:

> "I shall dedicate myself to the service of God and to the purpose of the Empire, and insofar as I am blessed, I will contribute generously of my time and means to the Empire War Effort, and especially to the $50,000.00 objective that has been undertaken by Grand Lodge.
> "I will put myself out to be a friend and guide to any little war guests who may come under my personal care or with whom I may be in contact."

In his broadcast the other day, His Majesty reminded us that London, "Like Jerusalem of old," is at unity in itself.

We, who belong to the Craft, must see to it that our Fraternity and the Great Empire are absolutely unified and dedicated to the purpose of restoring honor, decency, freedom and peace to this war-torn world.

BEN. C. PARKER, Chairman.
ALEXANDER BURGESS, Secretary.
JOHN T. BOYD.
WILLIAM J. MAJOR.
STANLEY H. FAHRNI.
GEORGE R. CALVERT.
NORMAN J. BLACK.

Winnipeg, June 5th, 1940.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WAR EFFORT FOR SOLDIERS

GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, A.F. & A.M.

The Committee appointed by your Chairman to consider "making any special War Effort" through the membership of Grand Lodge and consisting of M.W. Bro. George Hunter, R.W. Bro. Charles E. Midwinter and R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker, which Committee, under authority of The Board of General Purposes, was increased by the addition of R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer and R.W. Bro. Capt. E. E. Spencer, reports as follows:

Your Committee has enquired into the means presently existing for the rendering of service and assistance not only to members of the Craft but to others who are on Active Service and their dependents, and the means already adopted for meeting their needs.

The Committee finds that Organizations already set up, such as the Red Cross Society, The Canadian Legion, The Young Men's Christian Association and other organizations in collaboration with the National Defense Auxiliary Services, have been and are caring for the material, educational and recreational needs of those who are in training or on Active Service, and that through the Auxiliary Service Section of the Department of National Defence arrangements have also been made for the caring for the dependents of such persons. The purpose of the Auxiliary Service Section is to avoid insofar as possible any duplication of effort, and the waste of time and money which would result therefrom.

Any service to be rendered by Grand Lodge and the Constituent Lodges would appear to be divisible into two parts, the first being service to those who are in training or on active service overseas, and secondly service to families and other dependents of such soldiers.

Under the first heading, the Committee recommends that a special committee should be set up in each constituent Lodge, under the Chairmanship of the Worshipful Master or someone appointed by him, which might be known as the "Soldiers' Committee," and of which Committee the Secretary of the Lodge should be a member; and that such Committee be charged with the responsibility of maintaining contact with all members of the

Lodge who are on Active Service by correspondence, such correspondence to be conducted preferably by some member of the Lodge who is a close personal friend of the soldier, who would report at least monthly to the Secretary of the Lodge. in the event of no member of the Lodge being found to carry on the correspondence, then the correspondence should be undertaken by the Secretary of the Lodge or some other member of the Committee. Names of all members of the Lodge who have enlisted or hereafter enlist, should be furnished immediately to the Grand Secretary, who should keep a record of all members on Military Service.

This Lodge Committee will have the responsibility, too, of giving any special assistance which may be found desirable to any member who is confined in hospital or who may be invalided home.

It is recommended that the Grand Lodge should remit all dues payable to Grand Lodge with respect to any soldier on Active Service whose dues have been remitted by his Constituent Lodge, and that Constituent Lodges should be encouraged to give such remission of dues.

It is also recommended that Grand Lodge provide and the Grand Secretary issue a Certificate of Membership to any Brother enlisting for Active Service so that he may be at all times in a position to visit Lodges in other parts of Canada or Overseas or wherever his duties call him.

The second heading is that which has to do with fraternal assistance to the family or dependents of a Freemason who is on Active Service.

It is recommended that Grand Lodge co-operate with the Auxiliary Service Section of the Department of National Defence, and that we avail ourselves of the organization set up by that service.

A program has already been worked out by the Auxiliary Services, whereby, when any call for assistance is made by a member of a soldier's family or a dependent, a registration card is filled out, which shows, amongst other things, whether the soldier is a member of a fraternal order. This information is available, and in the case of members of the Masonic fraternity the information will be sent to the Grand Secretary. The Grand Secretary should then communicate with the Soldiers' Committee of the Constituent Lodge of which such soldier is a member, and the Soldiers' Committee of the Constituent Lodge should then investigate the need for service or assistance and co-operate with

the Military Auxiliary Services in rendering whatever assistance is needed. The local Secretary should report to the Grand Secretary the result of such investigation, and the steps being taken so that the Grand Secretary may be informed, and may serve as a clearing house for information.

The Soldiers' Committee of each Constituent Lodge should undertake to act as "guide, philosopher and friend" to the families and dependents of those on Active Service and should in this regard also report to the Grand Secretary.

In addition to the work to be done in the Grand Secretary's office, and by the Soldiers' Committees of the Constituent Lodges, all of which is assistance to members of the Craft only, their families and dependents, it is the opinion of the Committee that some contribution should be made to the general effort to assist enlisted men, their families and dependents, especially as we propose to take advantage of the facilities offered by the Active Service Welfare Registry. This Active Service Welfare Registry is maintained by contributions from the organizations co-operating with it. The annual cost of the necessary staff to carry on the work, and the expense of equipping and maintaining an office is estimated to run about $3,500.00 and your Committee recommends that Grand Lodge make a grant of $500.00 towards the expense of this Active Service Welfare Registry, and that the incoming Board of General Purposes be authorized to pay this sum either at once, or by periodic instalments as it may determine.

Your Committee recognizes the excellent work which was done by the two Lodges at Brandon, namely Tweed Lodge No. 113 and Brandon Lodge No. 19, during the last Great War, and the probability that a heavy demand will be made on these two Lodges by reason of their proximity to Camp Shilo and to the Air Training Centre in Brandon, and recommends that the incoming Board of General Purposes should consider with the officers of these Lodges some form of contribution which Grand Lodge could make so that an unfair burden will not be placed upon these two Lodges, or their resources too seriously taxed.

Your Committee gratefully acknowledges a debt of gratitude to Bro. W. W. Kennedy, whose experience in the Great War and whose knowledge of present conditions and plans have been generously placed at the disposal of this Committee.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

BEN. C. PARKER,
Chairman.

Winnipeg, Man., September 19th, 1940.

To The Board of General Purposes,
G.R.M., A.F. & A.M.

The Committee appointed by the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master in accordance with a Resolution passed at the last meeting of the Board of General Purposes "to study ways and means of how the members of this Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., might help Canada in her War Effort and also the question of what might be done in connection with the children that may be sent to Manitoba from England" report as follows:

The Committee has discussed ways and means by which the Freemasons of Manitoba may help with the War Effort, and our first recommendation is that we should at this time re-dedicate ourselves to the Service of God. We, therefore, suggest that a Service of Witness under the direction of the Grand Master be held in the Civic Auditorium of Winnipeg, and that all Freemasons be urged to be present to make a profession of faith in God and in the righteousness of the Empire's cause, and that similar services be held in every Masonic District under the leadership of the District Deputy Grand Master, and that every Lodge be urged to arrange for a church service during this year.

Our second recommendation is that the Freemasons of Manitoba, individually and (or through) their Lodges make a contribution in cash to the war needs of the Empire, such contribution to be in addition to the contribution of $5,000.00 already made by Grand Lodge; that the objective for such contributions be the sum of $50,000.00 and that this amount be raised by subscription from the Lodges and members of the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction.

We commend most heartily to all our members the Government's scheme for the evacuating of children from the Motherland. In the Province of Manitoba, Two Thousand One Hundred and Eighty-five homes have been offered for the accommodation of Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-eight children. At present only One Hundred and Sixty-seven children have been received in Manitoba. Of these One Hundred and Twenty-seven have been placed in Winnipeg, and the balance in the Province. It must be pointed out here that this scheme is only just beginning and while the number of homes offered is far in excess of the number of children requiring such foster homes, yet it is true that more than four times as many homes are needed than the number of children sent, because people have a preference with regard to sex, religion and age. We, therefore, recommend that every effort be made to encourage members of the

Craft to volunteer to receive children under this plan, so that in the event of children in larger numbers reaching our shores, they may be properly and adequately cared for.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

BEN. C. PARKER,
Chairman.

From the foregoing it will be noted that the Freemasons of Manitoba, through the Board of General Purposes adopted a definite program of a threefold character:

A. Service of Witness and Dedication.
B. Raising a fund of $50,000 for the Empire War Work.
C. Evacuee children from Britain.

SERVICE OF WITNESS AND DEDICATION

The holding of such a meeting in a public place, where a limited number of the general public could be accommodated, was a new idea among the Masons of Manitoba. It was the considered judgment of the Board, that in this time of war, and with Freemasonry rapidly disappearing from the countries of Europe because they had fallen victims to the totalitarian horde marching across that continent, our declaration of faith, in a public manner, was fully justified.

On Sunday, 17th November, 1940, we held our Service of Witness and Dedication in the Civic Auditorium, Winnipeg. This large Assembly Hall was filled to capacity and it was estimated by the Daily Press, that five thousand Masons were in attendance. It had been arranged to broadcast the Service over Station CKY; consequently, hundreds in the rural parts of the Jurisdiction and elsewhere, participated in our memorable Service.

The importance of this Service suggests to this Committee that the full order of Service and the complete text of the address delivered by the Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Bro. Canon Geo. R. Calvert, should be incorporated in our Report.

INTROIT—

"I VOW TO THEE".....Music by Gustav Holst

I vow to thee, my country—all earthly things above—
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love,
The love that asks no question: the love that stands the test,

That lays upon the altar the dearest and best:
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago—
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know—
We may not count her armies: we may not see her King—
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering—
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

THE GRAND MASTER....M.W.BROTHER J. J. HENDERSON

Brethren, we are met together in the presence of Almighty God to offer our worship, praise and thanksgiving; to make confession of our sins; to pray, as well for others as for ourselves that we may know more truly the greatness of God's love and shew forth in our lives the fruits of His Grace; and to ask on behalf of all men such things as their well-being doth require.

And especially at this time, let us pray for our Sovereign Lord, King George and for our gracious Queen Elizabeth. For the Prime Ministers of Great Britain and all the Dominions, and for all who guide the destiny of the Empire; for the sailors, soldiers, airmen, doctors, nurses and chaplains of the King's Forces.

Let us remember our Brethren in Freemasonry throughout the world, especially those who have been persecuted. Finally, let us confess our faith in God and His Righteousness, and pray that we fail not to be worthy of the highest traditions of Freemasonry.

HYMN—

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him gladly serve, His Praise forth tell,
Come ye before Him, and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;
Without our aid He did us make;
We are His flock, He doth us feed,
And for His sheep, He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise,
Approach with joy His courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless His Name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good;
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

LESSON—

PSALM 91.....BROTHER RABBI SOLOMON FRANK

ANTHEM—

"THE HAPPY WARRIOR".....George Dyson

Who is the happy warrior? Who is he,—
That ev'ry man in arms should wish to be?
It is the generous spirit Whose high endeavors are
an inward light
That makes the path before him always bright;
Who, doomed to go with fear and pain,
Turns his necessity,—to glorious gain;
In face of these doth exercise a power
Which is our human nature's highest dower.

Who is the happy Warrior? Who is he,—
That ev'ry man in arms should wish to be?
If he be called to face Great issues, is like
a man inspired,
With sudden happy brightness is attired;
Or if an instant call succeed,
Come when it will, is he equal to the need:
Endued for storm, yet gentle scenes doth move,
More brave for this, that he hath much to love.

This is the happy warrior; this is he
That ev'ry man in arms should wish to be.

LESSON—

EPHESIANS 6: 10-20....M.W. BROTHER HARRY WOODS

PRAYER—

THE GRAND CHAPLAIN
Rt. Wor. Brother Rev. P. T. Pilkey

O God of righteousness, against Whose majesty the might of sin can not prevail; we humbly beseech Thee to destroy the power of darkness, wheresoever it obscures our vision of Thy truth, that we may clearly apprehend Thy glory and bear faithful witness to Thy matchless sovereignty.

O God our Father, Who hast led our nation wondrously in ages past, we thank Thee for the guidance of Thine over-ruling providence. We thank Thee for such justice, freedom and fellowship as are established among us, and we pray Thee to give us now and in the days to come sure confidence in Thee, that in all perplexities we may seek Thy light and in hours of weakness Thy strength.

O Lord God Almighty, Who art the Supreme Ruler and Governor of all things, guide, we pray Thee, our King and all those to whom Thou hast committed the government of our nation and empire; and grant to them at this time special gifts of wisdom and understanding, of counsel and strength; that upholding what is right, and following what is true, they may obey Thy Holy will, and fulfil Thy divine purpose.

O Lord God of Hosts, stretch forth, we pray Thee, Thine almighty arm to strengthen and protect the soldiers and sailors and airmen of our King in every peril of land, and sea, and air; shelter them in the day of battle, and in time of peace keep them safe from all evil; endue them ever with loyalty and courage, and grant that in all things they may serve as seeing Thee Who are invisible.

O God Who never sleepest, and art never weary: Have mercy upon those who watch to-night; on the sentry, that he may be alert; on those who command, that they may be strengthened; on the sick, that they may obtain sleep; on the wounded, that they may find ease from their pain; on the faint-hearted, that they may hope again; on the light-hearted, lest they forget Thee; on the dying, that they may find peace; on the sinful, that they may turn again unto Thee. Give power, wisdom, and gentleness to all Thy ministering servants, to all

chaplains, physicians and surgeons, nurses and watchers by the wounded and the sick, that always bearing Thy presence with them they may not only heal but bless, and shine as lamps of hope in the darkest hours of distress and fear. We commend unto Thee all those about to depart this life, beseeching Thee to grant unto them the spirit of tranquility and trustfulness. May they put their hope in Thee, and having passed through the valley of the shadow of death, may they enter into the rest that remaineth for the people of God, and shine as the stars for ever and ever.

O Lord, help us in all humility and sincerity to pray for our enemies. Break the power of all who seek domination, and delight in war; open the eyes of all who are blinded by fear and hate; strengthen the hands of all who love truth and right; that when this hour of strife is passed we may live together in freedom and friendship. Mercifully receive the prayers that we now offer for our anxious and troubled world. Send Thy light into our darkness, and guide the nations as one family into the ways of peace. Take away all prejudice, hatred and fear. Strengthen in us day by day the will to understand, that so through us Thy will be done.

These our petitions we present in humility and sincerity before Thee, beseeching Thee to grant to us the pardon of our sins. AMEN.

HYMN—

Faith of our fathers! living still
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;
O how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious word!
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,
Were still in heart and conscience free;
How sweet would be their children's fate,
If they, like them, could die for thee!
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

Faith of our fathers! we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife:
And preach thee too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life.
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

ADDRESS—

THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
RT. WOR. BROTHER CANON G. R. CALVERT

When His Majesty the King spoke to the Empire on the twenty-fourth of May this year among all the splendid things that he said this one thing rang out: "We are fighting for our lives." Never were truer words spoken than those which the King uttered on that momentous occasion, and they come to you and to me this afternoon, my brethren, as a direct challenge, because we are the King's men. We are proud to know that the King who rules the Empire has, on occasions, set aside the sceptre in order to take up the gavel and reign in a masonic lodge. So then we are the King's men, and when he said "We are fighting for our lives", he was not only thinking of the people of his great Empire; he was thinking of those free men in every nation on the earth—those free men whose freedom had been taken from them because of their desire to worship God in their own way, because of their desire as free men and Freemasons to meet in the freedom of their lodges. So he said "We are fighting for our lives."

When I think of that, I know that we could not survive a Nazi victory. Today I know better than that; we would not survive a Nazi victory; we should die as our fathers died, for freedom, for righteousness and justice and truth, and gladly die.

We are gathered here in this great auditorium in our hundreds, because men are facing death that we may enjoy our freedom today. Those men are the King's men, too; they are proud to serve in his services. They are willing to die in order that we may live to carry on the continuance and the expansion of the life which we value. They and you and I too, would rather die than lose that liberty, that priceless heritage which has been given to us to keep, to guard, and to develop.

As we look back on our great and glorious history we see many sins that we have inherited, and sins that we have built for ourselves in the last two decades which have done much to smirch the record of the Empire, but when we have said all we can in dispraise of this civilization we call British, one great thing can we say on its behalf: the possibility of amendment and improvement is there.

This British civilization of ours is not fixed in one settled or determined mould; it opens up before our eyes the vista of a wider and richer life for all; it shows us the way to a more effective co-operation of man with man to secure the common good. It is the way of life that our fathers bequeathed to us, and this way of life has the possibility of indefinite progress. All this is on our side, and because all this is on our side, my dear brethren we must win. We must defeat the tyrant who would enslave us.

We know what the real issue is, in this conflict. We have seen in the unfortunate lands which have been overrun by the Nazis the deliberate attempt to kill the soul of the people, how the leaders are put out of the way, how the universities are disbanded and disrupted, how the religious life of the people is undermined and destroyed, and the people become mere hewers of wood and drawers of water for "the superior race"—the Germans, who consider that they have a natural right of domination. There are still people living in the world who think that we might parley with the Nazis; such people are living in a world of fantasy today. We must be realists, or perish. What Hitler has done in all the countries he has over-run he would do, and more also, to this British Empire of ours. You might just as well suggest parleying with a tiger; there is no such thing as reasonable compromise; the tiger desires nothing more or less than to crush our bones. He can understand one thing, and we thank God he can understand that one

thing, because this is it—we must beat him! That thing alone will be understood, and that thing alone will we administer.

How shall we do it? We shall only do it by sacrifice, and what is sacrifice? You can read about it; you can study about it and boys in theological colleges today are studying about it throughout the length and breadth of the Empire—sacrifice, what it means. But it is best to be studied, not in books, but in that life where men and women in agony and bloody sweat defend their lives, the lives of their people of the homeland, and the life of the world. We shall never triumph, we shall never administer this licking, which we must administer, until every man and woman in this British Commonwealth of Nations is all in, until every man and woman is so dedicated to this cause of ours that all are willing and anxious to sacrifice, and to bring about the completion of this purpose which is ours. So I ask you a personal question this afternoon: what are you doing?

The Archbishop of York, not long ago, said that he hoped Britain would be a dedicated nation; not that anyone there, or anywhere in the British Empire, would get the notion that we, the British people, are a chosen people, that we possess some qualities that mark us out as rather superior to the rest of mankind; no, rather that we should be a people on whom is laid a great task to be fulfilled, not for our own good, but for the good of the world. A dedicated nation! A dedicated empire! What a challenge! Remember this though; when we say we shall be dedicated, we do not for one moment mean that any man or woman shall stand aside and say "I wish we were all dedicated." Neither shall we look down our noses at other folk and say, "I wish he were more dedicated than he is." No; each man, each woman, shall ask himself or herself "Am I dedicated?" Each man, each woman, shall realize, as the Dean of St. Paul's said not long ago, "It all depends on me." That is the secret of this whole idea of dedication. Here today, in this civic auditorium, we have made our prayers that God should direct the course of

this war that there might come a just peace into the world, but we shall serve Him, and the right, when we are ever determined to work for the purpose that God has given to us. We shall never despair if you write that in your hearts this afternoon, like Muriel Branby, the elderly retired English actress, who put Queen Victoria's glorious boast on her boarded windows: "Please understand there is no one depressed in this house, and we are not interested in the possibilities of defeat; they do not exist." Write that in. Write this in, too: "We shall go on to the end. We shall fight in France; we shall fight on the seas and oceans; we shall fight with growing confidence and growing strength in the air. We shall defend our island, whatever the cost may be. We shall fight on the beaches; we shall fight on the landing grounds; we shall fight in the fields and streets and in the hills. We shall never surrender, and even if, which I do not for a moment believe, this island, or even part of it, is subjugated and starving, then our Empire across the seas, armed and guarded by the British Fleet, will carry on the struggle, until, in God's good time, the new world, in all its strength and might, sets forth to the rescue and liberation of the old. Britain will fight the menace of tyranny for years and, if necessary, alone." Write that in—from the British Prime Minister; and, oh, some men have written it in this past week, that story, the like of which has not kindled the imagination of the Empire for years—the story of that little armed cruiser, the "Jervis Bay", going out, knowing that meeting that big battleship meant nothing but death; and though the flag was blown off, another was run up; that is sacrifice, as required of the men in the services, that is the sacrifice you and I have got to get into our souls: "it all depends on me." You can, if you like, say with the poet:

"Come the world against her
England yet shall stand"

but she will only stand, and the Empire with her, when every man, every woman, is absolutely convinced without any question that she shall stand even if he or she must die to keep her standing.

We are going out, in Grand Lodge, for fifty thousand dollars. It is unheard of; it is mad; it has not been done before, but the King's men will do it. We shall give this money to the Empire War Effort. We shall be so dedicated that it will not take any pushing; it will be freely given.

"Awake, awake, put on strength O arm of the Lord; awake, as in the ancient days in the generations of old."

So we say here this afternoon "And what is the arm of the Lord?" The arm of the Lord is the souls of the men who serve Him, and serve the right, who are determined to work the purpose of God as it is given to them to know it. It all depends on me; it all depends on us, and we depend on God, not waiting for Him to do everything for us, but actively seeking to draw from Him the strength to overcome the terrors that may beset us, or come what may; we shall be faithful, dedicated servants.

> "Therefore my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."

ANTHEM—

"JERUSALEM" .....Parry

Soloist: Brother W. Davidson Thomson

And did those feet in ancient time
Walk upon England's mountain green?
And was the Holy Lamb of God
On England's pleasant pastures seen?
And did the countenance divine
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?
And was Jerusalem builded here
Among these dark satanic mills?

Bring me my bow of burning gold!
Bring me my arrows of desire!
Bring me my spear! O clouds unfold!
Bring me my chariot of fire!
I will not cease from mental fight,
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,
Till we have built Jerusalem
In this our green and pleasant land.

THE GRAND CHAPLAIN—

Seeing my brethren, that we are weak men, but entrusted with great responsibilities, and that often we can not but be hindrances to the tasks committed to us by our infirmities of body, mind, and spirit, let us pray God to save and help us; that He will make us to know our several weaknesses and the faults we have not known: that He will give us strength and wisdom to do more perfectly the work He gives us to do. May each one of us, in the presence of God, and of each other, solemnly renew our Masonic vows, and consecrate our all to the building of our own characters and of the Kingdom of God.

Let Us Pray:

(The Brethren will join in the responses)

O Lord, open Thou our minds to see ourselves as Thou seest us, or even as others see us and we see others, and from all unwillingness to know our infirmities.

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

From moral weakness of spirit, from timidity, from hesitation from fear of men and dread of responsibility, strengthen us to courage in living; and alike from the weakness of hasty violence and the weakness of moral cowardice,

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

From weakness of judgment, from indecision that can make no choice, and the irresolution that carries no choice into act, strengthen our eye to see and our will to choose the right; and from losing opportunities and perplexing others with our uncertainties,

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

From infirmity of purpose, from want of earnest care and interest, from the sluggishness of indolence, and the slackness of indifference, and from all deadness of heart,

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

From dullness of conscience, from feeble sense of duty, from thoughtless disregard of consequences to others, from a low idea of the obligations of our fraternity, and from all half-heartedness in Masonic duties,

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

From weariness in continuing struggles, from despondency in failure and disappointment, from over-burdened sense of unworthiness, from morbid fancies of imaginary back-slidings, raise us to a lively hope and trust in Thy presence and mercy, in the power of faith and prayer; and from all exaggerated fears and vexations,

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

From self-conceit and vanity and boasting, from delight in supposed success and superiority, raise us to the modesty and humility of true sense and taste and reality; and from all harms and hindrances of offensive manners and self-assertion,

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

From affectation and untruth, conscious or unconscious, from pretence and acting a part which is hypocrisy, from impulsive self-adaptation to the moment in unreality to please persons or make circumstances easy, strengthen us to manly simplicity to be and be seen to be true men; and from all false appearances,

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

From love of flattery, from over-ready belief in praise, from dislike of criticism and hatred of independence; from the comfort of self-deception in persuading ourselves that others think better than the truth of us,

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

From pride and self-will, from desire ever to have our own way in all things, from overweening love of our own ideas and blindness to the value of others; from resentment against opposition and contempt for the claims of others; enlarge the generosity of our hearts and enlighten the fairness of our judgments; and from all selfish arbitrariness of temper,

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

From all hasty utterances of impatience, from the retort of irritation and the taunt of sarcasm; from all infirmity of temper in provoking or being provoked; from love of unkind gossip, and from all idle words that may do hurt.

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

In all times of temptation to follow pleasure, to leave duty for amusement, to indulge in distraction and dissipation, in dishonesty and debt, to degrade our fraternity and forget our obligations, and in all times of frailty in our flesh,

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

Chiefly, O Lord, we pray Thee, give us knowledge of Thyself to see Thee in all Thy works, always to feel Thy presence near, to hear and know Thy Call. May Thy Spirit be our spirit, our words Thy Words, Thy Will our will, that in all things we may be true and faithful.

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

Finally, O Lord, we humbly beseech Thee, blot out our past transgressions, heal the evils of our past negligences and ignorances, make us amend our past mistakes and misunderstandings; lift up our hearts to new love, new energy and devotion, that we may be unburthened from the grief and shame of past faithlessness to go forth in Thy strength to persevere through success and failure, through good report and evil report, even to the end; and in all time of our tribulation, in all time of prosperity,

Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

And now as a final act of dedication, the brethren, remaining at the sign of fidelity, will say after me:

"And I do now, in the sight of God, and in the presence of my brethren, solemnly and sincerely make this my vow, and from this day forward, dedicate myself to these purposes."

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory, forever. AMEN.

HYMN—

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come;
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home!

Beneath the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her fame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly, forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come;
Be Thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home! Amen.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM—

God save our gracious king,
Long live our noble king,
God save the king:
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us:
God save the king.

THE BENEDICTION ..... The Grand Master

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no man evil for evil; strengthen the faint hearted; support the weak; help the

afflicted; honour all men; love and serve the King, and may the blessing of the Great Architect of the Universe be upon you this day and forever. Amen.

Choirmaster:	At the Piano:
V. WOR. BROTHER J. J. LYON	BROTHER FRED WALKER

It was a day of inspiration. Scores of members who attended the Service asked for more. It would appear that a re-awakened interest in the Craft followed our Service, and Lodge Officers have subsequently reported a better attendance at Lodge meetings.

EVACUEE CHILDREN FROM BRITAIN

In the early days of the war it appeared that we might have a formidable task set before us in connection with children evacuated from the Motherland. The children who are now in Canada, and who reached our shores before we had opportunity to set up any machinery to carry out this activity came here under government auspices or specifically to relatives of their own. Subsequently, as is well known, the authorities in Great Britain suspended this work and thus, for the time being, the sub-committee in charge of our Manitoba effort are obliged to mark time. We are, however, prepared to co-operate or act along definite lines to our own satisfaction once the need for accommodation, foster homes, etc., is made known to us.

WAR EFFORT FUND — $50,000

The Service of Witness which has been reported above, was the opening salvo of the Campaign to raise the objective of our Fund. Freemasons are instructed to believe in deeds, to prosecute the work, and not lay down their tools once the call to duty has been sounded.

Your Campaign Committee issued a brochure, using as the title, the historic phrase of Winston Churchill, "We shall never surrender." A copy of this booklet should have reached every brother who holds membership in a Manitoba Lodge, because a sufficient supply was mailed to every Secretary in the Jurisdiction, prior to the opening of our Campaign.

To the Members of All Constituent Lodges:

The general plan of the Masonic War Effort adopted by Grand Lodge has already been communicated to all the Lodges in our Jurisdiction. You are again reminded of the threefold nature of this activity.

(a) Service of Witness and Dedication.
(b) Raising a Fund of Fifty Thousand Dollars.
(c) Evacuee children from Britain.

Our service referred to under (a) was held in the Winnipeg Auditorium on Sunday, 17th November, 1940, and unquestionably was one of the greatest Masonic gatherings ever held in the Dominion of Canada. In addition to the hundreds of our brethren, who filled the Winnipeg Civic Auditorium to capacity, there were thousands more in every part of the West who participated by means of their Radio.

But, great as the Service was from the standpoint of attendance and airway reception, its true value can only be measured by the extent and manner, in which the individual assumes his personal responsibility, for the objective in view.

The Committee charged with section (b) of our War Effort now approach the membership as a whole, asking for this expression of their consecrated service in our drive to raise the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars.

Surely there is no Freemason in Manitoba who has not already realized that Democracy is at grips again. The vital point of attack for many months has been the City of London, but from the Orkneys in the north, to Land's End in the south, the influence of that attack has been felt, and the spirit of the people of the Motherland has won the admiration of everyone who values Freedom and Liberty.

Let us heed the voice of our kith and kin in Britain as expressed on their behalf by their Prime Minister, Winston Churchill:

"We shall not flag or fail, we shall go on to the End, we shall fight on the seas and oceans, we shall fight with growing confidence and growing strength in the air, we shall defend our Island, whatever the cost may be, we shall fight on the beaches, we shall fight on the landing grounds, we shall fight in the fields, and in the streets, we shall fight in the hills, we shall never surrender and even if, which I do not for a moment believe, this Island, or even part of it, is subjugated and starving, then our Empire across the seas, armed and guarded by the British fleet, will carry on the struggle until, in God's good time, the New World, in all its strength and might, sets forth to the rescue and liberation of the Old."

What is your reaction to this statement and in what manner do you express devotion to your heritage?

If you believe in Freemasonry, you believe in Liberty—in Freedom—in Democracy. Freemasonry is more than a symbol. It is the artery of Freedom and all that Freedom implies; the right of self-government, of free thought and free speech; of respect for others and obedience to the Law.

Every Freemason is called upon to embark on a crusade not merely to preserve the achievements of the past but to perpetuate them. The privileges of free men have been assailed. Civilization has been challenged. What does this mean to you?

Our way of life did not just "happen." It is necessary that we must re-state our faith and we need not be told, over and over again, of the pain and suffering it cost to give us what we have in our National Life.

In a recent Radio broadcast listeners were thrilled with the voice of Madeline Carrol. As it rang with emotion, she said:

> "My Mother, who is tonight, along with others, in an air-raid shelter somewhere in Kent, once told me never to ask for anything unless I had first given thanks for what I had received."

"To give thanks for what I had received." What a challenge is contained in these eight simple words. Yes, and they carry an interrogation to every Freemason in Manitoba when they consider the part they will assume in our War Effort Contribution.

It is respectfully suggested that every member take counsel with himself in the sanctuary of his own "upper room." Let each brother ask himself: "Have I given thanks for what I have received?"

Freemasonry still means something in our National Economy The spirit of Brotherly Love, of Goodwill, of Friendship, is unchangeable. It is an essential factor in true Democracy. The clarion call has been sounded and our Craft has committed itself to make a contribution to the War Effort of the Empire.

We, the Freemasons of Manitoba, by our Service of Witness and Dedication have put our hands to the plow. We dare not look back. The Enemy we are fighting has challenged us by his incessant war against the craft in every country he has invaded. He intimated by Radio not long ago that we, the British people, cannot make up our minds unanimously to do anything, least of all work and sacrifice for our way of life. Let us, at this time, throw the challenge back. This is indeed a testing time. The need of consecrated service was never greater.

Therefore, let every Lodge, every Member, accept with determination the responsibility to accomplish our full share of the task imposed on us.

The officers of your Lodge will organize the work of collecting for the Fund, within the membership of the Lodge. Some member will be allotted your name. When he calls be ready to give your response. His is a labor of love so do not make his work a burden by asking him to "call again." If you are a non-resident member of your Lodge, do not make distance an excuse for being a non-contributor. Take heed of this message and send your contribution direct to the Secretary of the Lodge.

This is the message of your brethren charged with solemn responsibility and is concluded with words from the Prayer of Dedication, reverently offered by the Grand Chaplain at the Service of Witness:

> "From infirmity of purpose, from want of earnest care and interest, from the sluggishness of indolence, and the slackness of indifference, and from all deadness of heart, Save us and keep us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord."

BEN. C. PARKER, General Chairman.
WILLIAM DOUGLAS, Campaign Chairman

> "Come then let us to the task, to the battle and the toil. Each to our own part, each to our own station. Fill the Armies. Rule the Air. Pour out the Munitions. Strangle the U-Boats. Sweep the Mines. Plow the Land. Build the Ships. Guard the Streets. Succour the Wounded. Uplift the Downcast, and Honor the Brave. Let us go forward together in all parts of the Empire, in all parts of this Island. There is not a week nor a day, nor an hour to be lost."

—WINSTON CHURCHILL.

The members throughout the length and breadth of our Province are interested in the result, not merely with regard to the total sum remitted to the Grand Secretary, but rather to the details of the contributions made through the Constituent Lodges. We submit our statistical analysis, which includes the money received for the Fund up to and including Tuesday, 3rd June, 1941—this will appear as an appendix and will be found at the end of this report.

That, my brethren, is our report today. The amount in the bank amounts to $43,352.66. If our Campaign Chairman was asked if he was satisfied, his reply would be a very deliberate and definite "no."

There are many evidences that we have members in this old Craft, who do not understand the meaning of the simple words "I promise and swear" or else they simply assume responsibilities and make vows, with a degree of complacency that is appalling.

We respectfully direct your attention to the statistical analysis which appears below. You will see that less than 5,000 members out of a membership totalling 10,131 made their War Effort contribution. Those who did contribute have succeeded in producing a creditable average, but what of hundreds who have paid no heed to the Masonic call for help, aid and assistance to the needs of our Empire?

Your Committee are quite well aware that there are brethren upon whom the hand of misfortune has fallen—Freemasonry never has asked nor looked for the impossible to happen—we know these facts and recognize that circumstances have prevented some good brothers from adding their mite. Our General comment upon the campaign bears no reference to the unfortunate—but what of the others?

I should dread hearing spoken of the Masons of Manitoba the requiem Marshal Petain pronounced over his beloved France:

> "Our Spirit of Enjoyment was stronger than our Spirit of Sacrifice. We wanted to have more than we wanted to give. We tried to spare effort and met disaster."

Today, the regulations which govern this Grand Lodge require that we submit a review of the work committed to our care. With more than half our membership listed as non-contributors, we cannot think we have completed the job.

The needs of the Empire are increasingly more urgent now than when we commenced our Campaign. If the tools are to be provided to enable Winston Churchill to finish the job, then let us contemplate the task of completing our job by seeking out the six thousand non-contributors and collect their share of the price.

To those whose contributions are recorded in our list, we express a grateful acknowledgment. And there are many among the first contributors who are prepared to travel a second mile and carry a double load. We have tried to emphasize the fact that Liberty and Freedom were worth dying for when they were

purchased with the blood of our forefathers. Never forefathers. Never forget this. Yet, in a great many instances, we find men who ignore this fact while others value this inestimable privilege—their heritage—at the unbelievable price of a dollar bill.

This is the report of your Committee prepared in sincereity and fraternally submitted.

WILLIAM DOUGLAS,
Campaign Chairman.

BEN C. PARKER,
General Chairman.

On motion of M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), seconded by R.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker (4), the report of the War Effort Committee was received and adopted.

WAR EFFORT FUND

Summary of Contributions up to and Including June 3rd, 1941

No.	Lodge	No. Members	No. Contributors	Amount Pledged	Amount. Received	Lodge Funds
1	Prince Rupert's	425	238	1,539.66	1,539.66	4,000.00
2	Lisgar	124	68	302.00	302.00	.....
3	Ancient Landmark	367	179	1,085.75	1.080.75	4,000.00
4	St. John's	584	318	2,184.35	2,095.35	5,000.00
6	Emerson	60	30	203.00	183.00	.....
7	Assiniboine	178	77	454.60	437.10	.....
8	King Solomon	60	36	192.50	192.50	.....
10	Northern Light	270	159	1,273.50	1,147.00	.....
11	Gladstone	72	..	225.00	225.00	.....
12	Stonewall	88	48	230.50	230.50	500.00
13	Belmont	74	37	165.50	165.50	34.50
14	Prince of Wales	95	..	183.00	183.00	.....
15	Corinthian	51	16	51.50	51.50	.....
19	Brandon	188	77	315.50	315.50	.....
24	Neepawa	133	78	374.03	369.03	.....
25	Ionic	512	336	2,300.00	2,300.00	.....
27	Glenwood	117	46	159.00	159.00	.....
29	Carberry	65	23	105.00	105.00	.....
30	Manitou	49	..	....	....	250.00
36	Doric	86	51	275.00	267.00	.....
39	Birtle	48	24	100.50	100.50	.....
40	Deloraine	67	22	55.00	54.00	50.00
43	Lebanon	75	27	151.00	151.00	.....
44	Oak Lake	28	20	44.00	44.00	6.00
48	Glenboro	48	23	111.00	111.00	.....
49	Temple	74	50	253.45	253.45	46.55
50	Killarney	62	31	196.50	196.50	.....
51	Treherne	43	18	70.00	70.00	.....
52	Hartney	78	14	47.00	47.00	.....
54	Oriental	46	33	165.00	164.85	.....
55	East Star	46	28	123.00	104.25	.....
62	Russell	44	18	60.00	60.00	.....
63	Holland	51	39	204.00	204.00	.....
64	Composite	41	17	32.82	32.82	.....
67	Wawanesa	37	24	102.00	102.00	.....
68	Vermillion	156	75	444.50	442.50	.....
70	Shiloh	69	45	203.00	181.00	50.00
71	Crystal	36	22	85.75	85.75	.....
Forward		4647	2345	14,069.91	13,753.01	13,937.05

WAR EFFORT FUND—Continued

No.	Lodge	No. Members	No. Contributors	Amount Pledged	Amount Received	Lodge Funds
Forward		4647	2345	14,069.91	13,753.01	13,937.05
74	Elkhorn	38	17	50.00	50.00	.....
75	Gothic	53	21	43.00	43.00	50.00
77	Napinka	51	7	27.00	27.00	.....
82	Cypress	35	..	....	....	.....
84	Hamiota	50	11	47.00	47.00	.....
86	Elgin	55	36	138.00	138.00	.....
87	Rathwell	24	12	54.00	50.00	.....
90	Midlothian	59	14	69.00	69.00	.....
92	Shoal Lake	71	57	232.50	217.50	.....
93	KingEdward	322	113	552.50	552.50	.....
94	Hiram	53	30	137.00	137.00	.....
100	Robbie Burns	30	11	55.00	52.00	.....
101	Binscarth	36	16	68.00	62.00	.....
102	Miniota	58	27	112.00	112.00	.....
103	Crescent	40	15	101.00	101.00	.....
104	Reston	101	60	169.00	167.00	.....
105	Prince Arthur	63	32	137.00	137.00	.....
106	Strathclair	40	24	98.58	98.58	.....
107	Lansdowne	42	23	62.00	62.00	.....
108	Union	32	18	84.00	84.00	.....
109	Swan Lake	20	14	89.50	80.00	.....
110	Kilwinning	45	15	22.75	22.75	.....
111	Acacia	196	115	418.50	418.50	.....
112	Ophir	61	23	96.00	96.00	.....
113	Tweed	243	102	475.75	473.75	.....
114	"The Assiniboine"	352	130	1,396.50	1,330.50	.....
115	Rivers	43	13	22.00	22.00	.....
116	St. Andrew's	39	20	97.00	93.00	.....
117	Stratheona	57	44	181.25	181.25	25.00
118	Mound	48	16	56.50	56.50	.....
119	Norwood	175	105	481.50	481.50	.....
120	Penza	33	16	68.00	68.00	.....
121	St. James	154	84	422.00	415.00	.....
122	Roblin	33	23	119.50	119.65	.....
123	Transcona	116	58	158.50	158.50	.....
124	The Pas	87	38	250.50	250.50	.....
125	Patricia	25	16	61.00	61.00	.....
126	Favel	36	..	.....	.....	.....
Forward		7663	3723	20,723.24	20,287.99	14,012.05

WAR EFFORT FUND—Continued

No.	Lodge	No. Members	No. Contributors	Amount Pledged	Amount Received	Lodge Funds
Forward		7663	3723	20,723.24	20,287.99	14,012.05
127	Empire	123	75	254.00	254.00	.....
128	Victory	37	..	.....	.....	.....
129	Shellmouth	21	..	.....	.....	.....
130	Fort Garry	188	111	713.50	713.50	500.00
131	Kildonan	85	50	388.00	388.00	.....
132	Sprague	27	24	56.00	56.00	.....
133	McCreary	35	16	105.00	105.00	.....
134	Stony Mountain	56	31	81.00	72.50	.....
136	Capitol	163	96	487.22	487.22	20.00
137	Lord Selkirk	104	74	391.00	376.00	.....
138	Windsor	126	67	312.00	308.50	.....
139	Beaver	199	94	429.50	427.50	.....
140	Meridian	245	165	762.00	751.50	.....
141	Tuscan	70	22	136.00	129.00	71.00
142	Harmony	20	3	14.00	14.00	25.00
143	Mt. Sinai	198	151	1,162.00	1,162.00	.....
144	Fort Osborne	113	58	248.50	246.50	.....
145	Sturgeon Creek	82	49	251.00	251.00	49.00
146	Fidelity	110	74	444.50	515.50	.....
147	Jubilee	42	17	44.00	44.00	.....
148	Seven Oaks	87	61	229.30	229.30	.....
150	Cartwright	32	17	41.50	41.50	.....
151	The Dormer	41	37	206.00	211.00	289.00
152	Foxwarren	31	14	36.00	36.00	.....
153	Flin Flon	88	57	533.50	514.00	50.00
154	Pine Falls	41	33	151.50	151.50	.....
155	Carman	45	37	145.00	145.00	.....
156	Manitouwapa	41	39	143.00	143.00	.....
		10113	5196	28,486.26	28,061.01	15,016.05

Members	$28,061.01
Lodges	15,016.05
Miscellaneous	275.60
	$43,352.66

WAR EFFORT FUND—Continued

List of Miscellaneous Subscriptions:

Keystone Chapter No. 2, Portage	$50.00	
Three Brethren from Huron, South Dakota	16.50	
Electa Chapter No. 2, Order of Eastern Star, Portage	25.00	
W. C. McDonald, D.D.G.M.'s Expense cheque	50.00	
Brethren of Tongue River Lodge, North Dakota	77.00	
Brethren of Walhalla Lodge, North Dakota	56.10	
A. E. Boyle	1.00	
		$275.60
Ralph W. Stanford, Willmer, Minnesota	11.00	
Grafton Chapter, Grafton, North Dakota	27.50	
Masonic Church Service, Rapid City	47.85	
		86.35
		$361.95

COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, and Brethren:

It is the pleasure of your Committee to report herewith on the Grand Master's Address.

The address is token of that genuine interest and ardent devotion to the cause of Freemasonry by one who has drank deeply at the fountain of freedom, truth and friendship. There is ever present the hand that adds the human touch and the eye that interprets the meaning of man's journey as the improvement of human relationships in a God-given environment. Above all, there is the evidence of courage necessary to any occasion. The address is replete with restatement and concrete illustration of those simple yet fundamental truths which we believe to be the distinguishing characteristics of English Freemasonry operating in furtherance of social and political progress under any national flag.

Information as to the itinery of the Grand Master, visits to Lodges, to District meetings, to special Masonic gatherings, and to other Grand Jurisdictions, necessitating travel of approximately 10,000 miles, reveals something of the physical effort and sacrifice to give of his talents and inspiration to Masonic leadership during his year of office as Grand Master. The spirit of the reception accorded everywhere tells the story of the appreciation of the Brethren. Your Committee can but record in words, if not in spirit, the appreciation of this Grand Lodge, assembled in annual Communication.

Suitable reference is made to the loss sustained through the passing of M.W. Brother Andrew Browning Baird, Grand Master of this Grand Lodge in 1922-1923. How magnificent an epigraph could the words of the address be carved upon the tomb of the late revered M.W. Brother, to quote—"During a long life of service he had the happiness that comes to those who serve their God and their fellow-men. His happy chuckle, his warm handclasp, his wise counsel, his sweet reasonableness, his valued friendship and his uplifting influence will long be remembered within the Craft."

Reference, appropriate at any time but more so in these days of peril, to Masonry and to Liberty is made to the passing of Grand Masters of jurisdictions within the two American continents.

There is recognition throughout the address of the need that we as individuals come to feel that sense of unity on behalf of the nobler things of life, out and beyond our own little horizons; need to feel the wounds of mankind; need to commune with those not so afflicted. Passage after passage makes of that a central theme. The newly appointed representatives to other Grand Jurisdictions near to this Grand Lodge are admonished to make every effort by pen or, if possible, in person to tie the bonds of understanding still closer. Intimate pictures of visits to the communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, to the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, to the Centennial Celebration of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, to the picnic on Masonic Island, Lake Metigoshe. all breathe the spirit of a common purpose. Read these passages and gather unto yoursedf some sense of the great accretions to personality of these simple, and sometimes more spectacular, yet homely family meetings.

Second only to unity of purpose, and a phase thereof, is the extended reference to Masonic effort on behalf of liberty of conscience and human decency. Definitely, and before the public, have we taken a stand and made it known. The Masonic Service of Consecration and Patriotic Fund Effort will stand as the distinguishing new advances of the year. As Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction has made history for the Craft, your Committee concurs in the thought of the address that the detail and spirit of the undertaking should be revealed. It is not usual to find communications with the Prime Minister of this country written into the address of the Grand Master. But it is fitting that we signify our allegiancce with the political effort on behalf of humanity and the Grand Master sought the most direct and concrete method to that end. Let us remember that the advance of last year and of this are rallying calls on behalf of those things we believe in and love and the more complete the report, the more will be added to that unquenchable rising flame of determination to see it through.

We commend the Grand Master on the attention given the presentation of Veteran medals. It was a charming act to so remember the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Alberta. This is but one of the many evidences of a keen understanding of the appeal of kindly acts to men. Throughout the address, the Grand Master repeatedly senses and gives voice to the appreciation shown by members of the Craft. It was in their midst and a part of his presence.

In conclusion, your Committee desires to congratulate the Grand Master upon the completion of a year of ardent service to the Craft, and for an address, which once again, marshals the

soul of Freemasonry behind the common effort of liberty-loving peoples. We shall continue to march on under the spirit of his message.

Fraternally submitted,

D. S. WOODS,

Chairman, Committee on the Grand Master's Address.

On motion of M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90), seconded by M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller (25), the report on the Grand Master's Address was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the M.W. Grand Master and Members of the
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.
Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee, to whom the report of the Grand Secretary has been referred, beg to comment as follows:

In the main the comments of your committee must be a repetition of those of previous years. The report of the Grand Secretary is wholly statistical and is very complete and interesting. It shows that the affairs of Grand Lodge have been conducted in a very careful and efficient manner.

There are two points which your committee consider require attention.

First, the number of Life Memberships held in the Grand Jurisdiction. This increasing proportion of Life Memberships is bound to have a detrimental effect on the financial standing of the Constituent Lodges, especially the smaller lodges where so large a proportion of Life Memberships would greatly reduce the annual revenue of the Lodge.

Second, the annual net loss of memberships in the Grand Jurisdiction. These losses, we might say, are to some extent at least subject to control as Suspensions and Demits account for a much larger number than the net loss each year. It is true that the annual net loss does not amount to a very high figure, but according to the Grand Secretary's report the accumulated net loss for the past five years amounts to 922.

Your committee would recommend that these two points be referred to the incoming committee on the Condition of Freemasonry for their attention and investigation.

Your committee wish to express appreciation for the very able and efficient manner in which the duties of the Grand Secretary have been carried on during the past year.

Fraternally submitted,
M. S. DONOVAN,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (113), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. Frank Dart (93), the report was received and adopted.

FRATERNAL DEAD

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

The work of this Grand Lodge Communication would be incomplete if we did not pause at this moment to think of our brethren who have passed on to the Grand Lodge Above during the past year. Some of them were distinguished members of our ancient Craft, many more belonged to that great body of quiet, earnest brethren who make life a joy to all who know and love them. All of them were men like us dedicated to the fulfilment of God's purpose of bringing harmony and love into the lives of men the world over.

This is no time for tears of mourning, nor for much speaking—let it suffice that we thank God for all our beloved departed and pray that we may follow their good examples and be made partakers of their heavenly immortality.

"Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.

O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old;
And win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.
Hallelujah!"

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE R. CALVERT,
Chairman.

ADDRESSES BY GUESTS

During the proceedings of the afternoon session, the Most Worshipful Grand Master called upon:

M.W. Bro. Mark Forkner, P.G.M. of Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

M.W. Bro. Samuel Harris, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

M.W. Bro. Chauncey C. Colton, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

M.W. Bro. Gustav Widell, P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota,

M.W. Bro. Charles M. Pollock, P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

M.W. Bro. Ralph W. Stanford, P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

R.W. Bro. Wm. B. Sturtz, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

V.W. Bro. Wm. B. Congdon, Grand Pursuivant of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

These brethren brought Fraternal Greetings from their Grand Jurisdictions, and gave very interesting and instructive addresses full of goodwill, and hope for the future of Freemasonry and our Democratic way of life.

There being no further business, Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment, by the Most Worshipful Grand Master until 8:00 p.m.

Second Day
Evening Session

The Grand Master, Most Worshipful Bro. J. J. Henderson accompanied by Grand Lodge Officers and our Distinguished Guests formed in procession and entered the Lodge Room, while the brethren sang:

"Rise up, O Men of God"

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 8:00 o'clock p.m. by the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

R.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, presented R.W. The Ven. Archdeacon Albert Philip Gower-Rees, and introduced him to the Most Worshipful Grand Master and brethren.

Our Distinguished Guest was received with Grand Honors, welcomed by the Grand Master, who asked R.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert to conduct our guest to a seat in the East.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND RECEPTION

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Credentials and Reception beg to report as follows:

There are 104 Chartered Lodges on the Grand Lodge Register, 86 Lodges are represented by one or more of their three Principal Officers, 18 are unrepresented, namely:

Doric Lodge No. 36	Mound Lodge No. 118
Birtle Lodge No. 39	The Pas Lodge No. 124
Temple Lodge No. 49	Favel Lodge No. 126
Oriental Lodge No. 54	Shellmouth Lodge No. 129
Wawanesa Lodge No. 67	Sprague Lodge No. 132
Crystal Lodge No. 71	Harmony Lodge No. 142
Elkhorn Lodge No. 74	Foxwarren Lodge No. 152
Hamiota Lodge No. 84	Flin Flon Lodge No. 153
Binscarth Lodge No. 101	Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156

Ninety-six Lodges have one or more Past Masters present and Eight Lodges have neither a Past Master or Officer present.

There are:

Past Masters Present	400
Worshipful Masters Present	68
Senior Wardens Present	37
Junior Wardens Present	45
Total Vote	550

WM. C. BIRT,
Chairman.

No.	Name of Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Tot. Vote
1	Prince Rupert's	1	1	1	12	15
2	Lisgar			1	8	9
3	Ancient Landmark .	1	1		7	9
4	St. John's	1	1	1	14	17
6	Emerson	1	1	1	6	9
7	Assiniboine	1		1	6	8
8	King Solomon		1		1	2
10	Northern Light	1	1	1	27	30
11	Gladstone	1	1		3	5
12	Stonewall	1	1	1	6	9
13	Belmont	1	1		3	5
14	Prince of Wales	1	1		1	3
15	Corinthian	1		1		2
19	Brandon	1	1		3	5
24	Neepawa	1		1	4	6
25	Ionic	1		1	9	..11
27	Glenwood	1	1	1		3
29	Carberry	1		1	2	4
30	Manitou	1			4	5
36	Doric				2	2
39	Birtle					
40	Deloraine	1			3	4
43	Lebanon		1		2	3
44	Oak Lake	1			2	3
48	Glenboro	1			2	3
49	Temple				3	3
50	Killarney	1			2	3
51	Treherne			1	3	4
52	Hartney	1		1	2	4
54	Oriental				6	6
55	East Star		1		4	5
62	Russell	1			1	2
63	Holland	1			3	4
64	Composite	1			2	3
67	Wawanesa				1	1
68	Vermillion		1	1	1	3
70	Shiloh	1		1	5	7
71	Crystal				1	1
74	Elkhorn					
75	Gothic		1			1
77	Napinka	1			1	2
82	Cypress	1			1	2
84	Hamiota					
86	Elgin	1			4	5
87	Rathwell	1			8	9
90	Midlothian	1			2	3
92	Shoal Lake	1		1	3	5
93	King Edward		1	1	23	25
94	Hiram			1	5	6
100	Robbie Burns		1			1
101	Binscarth					
102	Miniota	1		1	3	5

No.	Name of Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Tot. Vote
103	Crescent	1		1	1	3
104	Reston	1		1	1	3
105	Prince Arthur	1				1
106	Strathclair		1		4	5
107	Lansdowne			1	1	2
108	Union	1			4	5
109	Swan Lake		1		1	2
110	Kilwinning	1	1		2	4
111	Acacia	1			5	6
112	Ophir	1			1	2
113	Tweed	1		1	9	11
114	"The Assiniboine"	1			9	10
115	Rivers	1				1
116	St. Andrew's			1	4	5
117	Strathcona	1			1	2
118	Mound				1	1
119	Norwood	1	1	1	11	14
120	Penza	1	1	1	6	9
121	St. James	1	1	1	6	9
122	Roblin			1	1	2
123	Transcona	1		1	1	3
124	The Pas					
125	Patricia	1			2	3
126	Favel					
127	Empire	1	1	1	2	5
128	Victory			1	1	2
129	Shellmouth					
130	Fort Garry	1	1	1	8	11
131	Kildonan	1	1		8	10
132	Sprague				1	1
133	McCreary			1		1
134	Stony Mountain	1		1	3	5
136	Capitol	1	1	1	14	17
137	Lord Selkirk	1		1	5	7
138	Windsor	1		1	6	8
139	Beaver	1	1	1	5	8
140	Meridian	1			6	7
141	Tuscan	1	1	1	7	10
142	Harmony					
143	Mt. Sinai	1	1	1	11	14
144	Fort Osborne	1	1	1	3	6
145	Sturgeon Creek	1	1		4	6
146	Fidelity	1	1	1	6	9
147	Jubilee		1	1	5	7
148	Seven Oaks	1	1		6	8
150	Cartwright	1			2	3
151	The Dormer	1	1		6	8
152	Foxwarren				1	1
153	Flin Flon				2	2
154	Pine Falls	1			3	4
155	Carman	1		1	2	4
156	Manitouwapa				1	1
	Totals	68	37	45	400	550

Moved by V.W. Bro. Wm. C. Birt (4), seconded by R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr (113), the report was received and adopted.

PRESENTATION OF FIFTY-YEAR JEWELS

BRO. WILLIAM A. McKEE, Initiated into Deloraine Lodge No. 40, on 2nd April, 1890.
Passed on 30th, July, 1890.
Raised on 27th, Aug., 1890.
Jewel presented by M.W. Bro. George Hunter.

BRO. ROBERT A. WILLIAMSON, Initiated into Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, on 10th November, 1890.
Passed on 12th January, 1891.
Raised on 9th February, 1891.

BRO. FREDERICK ENDRESS, Initiated into Washington Lodge No. 260, Petrolia, Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario).

Jewels were presented by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson.

The Grand Master congratulated these brethren for their Fifty or more years of fine service to Freemasonry.

SPECIAL REQUEST

For the benefit of those who were absent from the Morning Session, M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas gave an outline of the fine report on the Grand Lodge War Effort Fund, that he, as Campaign Chairman, had presented at the morning session, and been regularly adopted.

The Boys of St. Matthew's Church Choir were invited to enter, and under the leadership of Bro. Fred Walker (1), their organist and instructor, gave the four following selections to the great delight of those present.

I Vow to Thee, My Country.....Gustav Holst
Music Spread Thy Voice Around.....Handel
Fairest Isle (Britain).....Henry Purcell
The Star Spangled Banner.....John Stafford Smith

The last selection was rendered in honor of our Distinguished Guests from Minnesota and North Dakota.

M.W. Bro. Chauncey C. Colton, Grand Master of Minnesota, on behalf of our United States Guests thanked the Choir most sincerely for their thoughtfulness and the delightful rendering of their National Anthem.

The Grand Master also thanked the Boys and Bro. Walker for their kindness in coming and the great pleasure it had been to have them sing to us.

The Grand Master introduced The Ven. Archdeacon Albert Philip Gower-Rees, our guest speaker and asked him to kindly address the Grand Lodge.

ADDRESS OF THE VEN. ARCHDEACON ALBERT PHILIP GOWER-REES

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Officers, Officers and Brethren:

It is not only a great privilege, but a great responsibility that I have undertaken in consenting to deliver the oration at this Grand Lodge Communication of Manitoba, but the very gracious and fraternal welcome and greeting extended to me provides me with the confidence that will enable me to proceed with the task that is now mine. On my swift journey from Montreal last night I found it desperately difficult not only to sleep but also to decide upon the particular subject that I would discuss with you in this great assembly. The thought which is uppermost in our minds at the present time is that of war. It haunts us day and night, and naturally men are ready to listen to the expression of an opinion on any aspect of the war that may be offered. I listened at the luncheon today to the

timely and impressive address delivered by W. Bro. McGillivray and that, I felt, relieved me from the necessity of confining myself to the discussion of the war situation. therefore I will conform to the ancient custom of Grand Lodge Communication—"That the oration on such an occasion as this should deal with matters concerning the Masonic Order, and that reference to party politics and sectarian religion should be avoided." It is almost inevitable that some reference to the grim struggle in which we are now involved will be expected before I finish, but at the moment, I feel that you will expect me to make a contribution to your Masonic knowledge. I venture therefore to proceed along these lines—What is the origin of Freemasonry? Can we survey with encouragement the growth and expansion of the Order? What is the meaning of Freemasonry? And what have Freemasons to say about war?

First, the Origin and growth of Freemasonry . Many have been the questions that have been asked regarding the origin of Freemasonry, particularly by the younger members of our Masonic Lodges. I have spoken in no less than one hundred and fifty-two Lodges in various parts of Canada in the last twelve years, and I have been impressed by the keenness of the younger members to know a little more about the origin of the Order. I think Mr. G. K. Chesterton was right when he said "We have asked all the questions possible, and it is about time we began to answer some of them." It seems to me that all possible questions with reference to our Masonry have been asked and "it is about time" the leaders of the Order provided answers to some of them, if Freemasonry is to survive the test which now confronts it with other institutions.

All institutions are now being tested, and only institutions that can justify their existence by results will have the right to survive in the "New World Order" that will inevitably come when the war is over. That is true not only of Freemasonry but also of our Churches, of other institutions and systems. They will have to justify their existence. With reference to the questions that have been asked regarding the origin of Freemasonry—many fantastic

answers have been offered, not only by well tried and tested Freemasons, but actually in masonic literature. For instance, it has been suggested that Noah and his two sons were three of the major officers of a lodge. Such a claim ranks with that of a friendly Society, that Adam was an Oddfellow. That may be true, for he was "odd" but to lay claim that Noah and his two sons were senior officers of a Masonic Lodge is going a little too far. There can be a fair explanation given to the tradition that links King Solomon with our Freemasonry, but that again must not be stressed too much. It is very necessary that we should bear in mind, that Masonry can stand on its own merits, and needs no false bolstering. Any attempt to collect legends in support of our Freemasonry really weakens its claims.

In order to emphasize its antiquity, attempts have been made to prove that the first Masonic Lodge was formed by the first Christian British martyr, St. Alban, in 287 A.D. in England, and that King Edwin, the first Christian King of Northumbria, one of the seven Kingdoms of Southern Britain, was a patron of the Order in the 7th Century and that King Athelstan granted a Charter to Freemasons and that he or his son presided over a Grand Lodge at York in the year 936 A.D. and that King Edward III revised the Constitutions of Masonry in the 14th Century. Those are claims no historian would support, knowing Masonry as you and I know it.

I repeat that Freemasonry can stand on its own merits and needs no false bolstering. Its origin may probably be found in the procedure and ceremonies of the Operative Guilds of "free masons" which were organized bodies of skilled men who worked in various countries during the great cathedral-building period of the Middle Ages. There are documents in existence which show that our ceremonies, lectures, and particularly the symbols used in our Lodge room have been borrowed from those old operative Guilds. Their work-room was probably their Lodge room, and the "lodge" was presided over by a master mason. They had their rules, ceremonies and rituals, and their working tools were used as symbols in the teaching of elementary

virtues. The gavel was no doubt used to call the workmen to refreshment, rest or recreation, and for the resumption of work. It was difficult to gain admission into that exclusive band; every man was thoroughly tested, and he was admitted under oath.

Those old guilds were closely associated with the Christian Church, and their allegiance to the Church was one of their articles of faith. A great deal of what we have become acquainted with in our Masonry is derived from such a source. In the 17th Century we find that besides operatives, persons of aristocratic birth and social standing were admitted into those guilds. We read that in 1641 the Rt. Hon. Robert Moray, General Quartermaster of the Army of Scotland was admitted as a "speculative" Mason of a Lodge in Newcastle. From that time on, many more of his type were admitted into the "operative Lodges" and there became acquainted with the symbols, rituals and ceremonies.

With the incoming of the 18th Century, the movement for the centralization of the Order began. Lodges were springing up here and there without authority as there existed no Grand Lodge to grant a Charter or warrant. So in 1717 the Grand Lodge of England came into being and that marked the beginning of Freemasonry as you and I know it. It is not necessary to lay claim that there is direct continuity between us and the Egyptians or even those Hebrews, who built in the reign of King Solomon, a certain temple at Jerusalem. It is not wise to claim that our symbolic Masonry reached a high level of development during the building of the Pyramids. Our rituals and ceremonies were compiled round about the year 1700 and the genesis of modern Masonry may be traced to the medieval Building Guilds. The movement which came into activity some 250 years ago incorporated the slendor ritual and the elementary symbolism that, for centuries previously, had been employed in connection with those Guilds, but it gave to them a fuller meaning and a far wider scope. The reasons for the attempt to weld the remnants of Freemasonry into a central organization in 1717 will be appreciated when

it is recalled how men had grown tired of the ceaseless political and sectarian strife. There grew up a desire for an association which men could join and in which they could meet together for spiritual edification, without being disturbed by the discussion of party politics and sectarian religion. Hence the order in our Masonic lecture "that no questions of religion or politics shall be introduced into the Lodge." That order refers to the general political and religious situation in England when the Grand Lodge came into existence. With the creation of the Grand Lodge grew the necessity for the drawing up of constitutions, and rules, and preparing ceremonials and rituals. Several scholars interested in such matters were available at that time, and among them was the well-known Presbyterian James Anderson. It is to him that we are indebted for a great deal of what we have by way of Masonic ritual today. But the great Master-soul in Masonry in those early years of the organized existence of Grand Lodge was Dr. John Theophilus Desagulier, an Oxford professor, and a Fellow of the Royal Society, who contributed his great scholarship to lay the foundation of the Order as you and I know it today. Later, other great men appeared to guide the destiny of Freemasonry, including Dermott and Dunkerley, who with Desagulier were known to Masons as "the three great D's" of Masonry. Those, with others, were the men who contributed to the creation and expansion of a movement, that provided for the spiritual needs of men. The Masonic Order was a response to the desire for an opportunity for peaceful contemplation and for guidance in spiritual life.

It will be noted that every lodge is consecrated to the Supreme Being and that every member declares his belief in that Being. Every Mason declares his loyalty to his country and obedience to its laws; he recognizes the rights of his fellowmen, and respects their liberties. Those are the things members of the Masonic Order stand for, and from the very beginning until now they have been respected. It is essential that every Freemason should acquaint himself with the history of the order for which he claims so much,

to which he owes so much and which he desires to expand still further for the benefit of his fellowmen as well as for his own.

After the creation of the Grand Lodge, Freemasonry began to expand very rapidly. The Grand Lodge of Scotland and also the Grand Lodge of Ireland shared in the activities which led to expansion. The first overseas Lodge was formed in Madrid in 1726 under the guidance of the ambitious unreliable Lord Wharton—a Jacobite, who later actually took up arms against his own country. This Lodge in Spain was formed without the authority of the Grand Lodge of England, but it was later duly recognized. Lodges soon began to spring up in countries other than England, one was established in Bengal, in Paris in 1732, in Hamburg 1733, in Lisbon and the Hague in 1735. Lodges appeared even in Russia and Turkey.

The expansion of Masonry was almost inevitable when we bear in mind that in the 18th and 19th Centuries there was a steady flow of our kinsfolk from the Motherland spreading out to inhabit the fairest lands of this earth. Streams of them came out to this continent and they brought with them ideas of liberty, and principles of social justice that made for the solidarity of the communities they established in this Western Hemisphere. Some brought with them also their Masonic Order and loyalty, and soon Lodges were formed on this Continent, some with and some without the authority of the Grand Lodge in England. The dilatoriness and delay in answering communications from this Continent in later years led many of those Lodges to separate themselves from the Grand Lodge of England.

In 1730, New England with Boston as its centre, was given a Provincial Grand Lodge, and in 1733 Henry Price, the Provincial Grand Master was very anxious to extend his Masonic dominion beyond New England. So he reached out to the provinces of Canada, and founded the Lodge of Annapolis in 1738. With Nova Scotia as originating centre, Canadian Masonry steadily spread in the 18th Century, though sometimes in an irregular way. In New England,

Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Georgia and South Carolina Masonic Lodges were well established. About the middle of the 18th Century there arose a feeling of unrest among the brethren of Canada, and it was felt that the Lodges here should create their own Grand Lodges in order that they might operate more effectively, and their Masonry become more useful in Communities that had been formed on this side of the Atlantic; so today, we have in Canada nine independent sovereign Grand Lodges, and the Masonic Order is now the most powerful in the Dominion. In the United States the membership numbers are colossal. Such progress does indeed testify to the potential power and influence of Freemasonry, and to the claim that it makes upon English freedom-loving people, who have inherited the spirit of liberty and the right to live in freedom. So we have in Canada and in the United States of America today a powerful Masonic Order firmly established, that will be expected to make a great contribution to the creation of the "new order" that we look forward to after this war.

May I now turn from that survey to a subject perhaps a little more interesting—the meaning of Masonry. It is a subject about which many, particularly young Masons are bewildered. Even after they have been raised to Master Masons they hesitate to proceed to the Royal Arch, because they are not convinced that Masonry so far has provided for them what they were led to expect. Many are the pertinent questions asked concerning the things repeated in the ceremonies, and certain points of ritual. The reason for the indifference of members, and particularly the non-attendance of many younger members of the Order may be found in our failure to give intelligent answers to their questions. We may hesitate to give those answers, because we perhaps have not fully appreciated and understood the enigmatical puzzle-language used in our ceremonies and lectures. We have been taught to think of Freemasonry as "A system of morality veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols" but that explanation whilst true, is but partial and calls for further interpretation. There is a demand today that the language used to convey ideas shall as far

as possible be current language of our time. I hesitate to suggest a revision of our Masonic ceremonies, ritual and instruction lectures lest in the process the elegance and richness of their phraseology be marred. But if further and simpler explanation is not provided many members will remain puzzled and lose interest in the Order, because they cannot appreciate the profound content of Freemasonry which we have been trained to respect. Many attempts have been made to clarify the "official" definition of Freemasonry.

A Past Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of England says "Freemasonry can be defined as an organized system of morality, derived from Divine wisdom and age-long experience, which, for preservation from outer assault and inner decay, is veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbol." Another Past Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of England refers to Masonry as "a veiled and cryptic expression of the difficult science of spiritual life." These attempts to define Freemasonry remind me of Tolstoy and his essay on "Life". At the beginning he quotes several definitions of life, offered by other writers, and then proceeds to point out how each definition fails to embrace the full content of life. He seized each definition to expose its inadequacy and to show that definitions are but approximations to the truth. At the end, he himself finds refuge in adding yet another definition of life.

We are faced with enigmatical language in Masonry because it was felt necessary that the secrets of the Order should be concealed from the vulgar gaze. They are concealed or veiled in allegory and in phrases which the uninitiated cannot understand. Freemasonry is only secret, in so far as it has ritual and ceremonial only revealed to those admitted into the brotherhood. True Masonry is universal and belongs to that mystery which all men strive to explore. Behind all the great moral movements and developments in the history of humanity have stood what St. Paul called the keepers or "stewards of the Mysteries."

Masonry is a sacramental system, and like all sacraments it has its outward signs such as it ceremonials,

doctrines and symbols which we see and hear. It has also its inward side —the spiritual, the intellectual and the moral. Masonry is a spiritual order; it is a religion system, not a religion. It makes use of religious terms and phrases, because it is concerned with religious truths. Browning in his "Paraselsus" makes reference to a central Masonic truth when he says "To know, consists rather in opening out a way, whence the imprisoned splendour may escape". Freemasonry is a process which helps man to appreciate his own soul, to help him to know himself, and to know something of the power that can be his. It is a marvellous system this Freemasonry, inasmuch as it it points to a way by which we may become conscious of "the glimmering ray", "the imprisoned splendour" of man. We have to get behind the ceremonials and rituals of our order that we may find that which it has to offer. To the question, "Would you say that Freemasonry has made a contribution to elevation and to the improvement of the human soul?" I would have no hesitation in replying "Certainly." We may not give an explanation for the way in which the improvement takes place, but men exemplify the power of Freemasonry by the gentleness, generosity and graciousness of their lives. They exhibit in their conduct and in their relationships with others those graces and virtues which they have been taught almost unwittingly, in the Lodge room. The world is better for Freemasons. A revision of our lectures may be long overdue in order that we may use language understood by this generation to convey the ideas that have been universal, instead of keeping them bound within the language of another age. Freemasonry leads every member through its degrees towards the understanding of the truths he is desirous of achieving. I refuse to believe that there is a man who is unconscious of the Divine Spark that is in him. I believe that in every soul there is a consciousness of a relationship with the Architect of the Universe. Throughout the ages even among the uncivilized natives, men have been seeking relationship with the Great Spirit upon whom they feel they depend and to whom they cry when they find themselves in need. They are strangely conscious of a relationship with the Great Over-Soul and however men

may be indifferent to the appeals of religion, and present a certain carelessness about religion, there is no man who can escape the moment when he has to admit that he is brought with his soul naked into the presence of the Divine Being. Let my last word be this, and I give to you in the words of an old Japanese poem which I have found very helpful: There are some men who go along the highways of life, pick up a stone, split it, and take out a gem. That is because they know gems. There are others who go into the very mountains of wealth, and come out empty-handed; because they know not gems."

There are members of Masonic Lodges who are not Masons. There are many who come into our assemblies, who go out empty-handed, empty-hearted and empty-minded; very often confused because some hand has not taken theirs and led them into the mysteries, and pointed out to them the things that would help them to appreciate the pearl of great price to be found there.

Masonry and the War! From the beginning of Freemasonry up to now, Masons have been taught reverence, true patriotism, good citizenship, respect for law, regard for the rights of others, tolerance for the weaknesses of others, the duty to succour and support the distressed and oppressed. This is the time to put into practice these things. This is the time to reveal to the world that those are the things that we have been taught to practice, and that it is the way that will bring a new order into the world. Every Freemason by his creed assumes responsibility to do his utmost for his King and Country at the present time. We, as Freemasons, are bound to choose between slavery and freedom. We are not of the breed that will accept slavery. We demand not only liberty, for ourselves but for the unborn generations that are coming after us. Brethren learn from Freemasonry that which it has to teach towards the enriching of your personality, the deepening of your spiritual life, and the strengthening of your power that you may so live to make the world sweeter because you are Masons in it.

Ye are builders of this Temple
All your lives and all your groans,
Help to rear its stately structure
All your lives are building stones.
For this Temple ye must labour,
For its sake bear toil and grief,
In it find the end of living, and the
anchor of belief.

I will finish with the dream of those who laid down their lives for our sakes in the last war:-

There is but one thing all our dead desire,
One thing men can give, and that's but a dream.
Unless we too can burn with that selfsame flame
Of sacrifice, and die to things that seem.
Die to bitter hatreds, die to greed,
Die to the ignoble selves we knew,
Die to the base contempt of sect and creed,
And rise like them with souls as true.
Nay, since they died before their task was finished,
Let us build a new world not diminished
By one true splendour that they planned on earth.
This can not be done
By sword, or tongue, or pen;
There is but one way:
God make us better men.

And Masonry will help us to be that.

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence moved a resolution of thanks and appreciation to the Ven. Archdeacon for his wonderful address, which was most heartily sustained by standing vote and prolonged applause.

APPRECIATION

Grand Lodge on motion of M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), seconded by R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3), unanimously adopted the following resolutions of Appreciation:

"To the 'Shrine Chanters' for their kindness in attending our Wednesday Evening Session and rendering several fine Selections to the enjoyment of all present."

"To the Boys of St. Matthew's Church Choir for their visit to Grand Lodge on Thursday evening and entertaining those present with four delightful numbers, which were enjoyed by all."

"To our Grand Organist, V.W. J. J. Lyon for his fine service as leader and accompanist."

"To the Management of the Royal Alexandra Hotel for the provisions made for the Grand Lodge Communication and to the Staff for their courtesy and help."

"To all those who assisted in making our Grand Lodge Communication the success it was."

REPORT OF SCRUTINEERS ON ELECTION

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.:

Your Board of Scrutineers, appointed to conduct the Annual Election of Officers and eight members to the Board of General purposes for a term of two years; also D.D.G.M. for the first, fifth, ninth, tenth and twelfth Districts, make report as follows:

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND MASTER the name of George R. Calvert was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF DEPUTY GRAND MASTER the name of Stanley H. Fahrni was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF SENIOR GRAND WARDEN the name of Ben C. Parker was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN three names were submitted in nomination, i.e.:

Samuel Burland — Maris H. Garton
Maurice S. Donovan

The number of ballots cast was 536, all of which were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 269 and Bro. Burland received the necessary quota.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND TREASURER the name of Alex. Burgess was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY the name of J. H. G. Russell was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND CHAPLAIN two names were submitted in nomination, i.e.:

Rev. Peter T. Pilkey Rev. Wm. Reid

The number of ballots cast was 538, three of which were spoiled, making the valid vote 535. The necessary quota to elect was 268 and Brother Pilkey received the required quota.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND HISTORIAN the name of William Douglas was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES the name of Chas. R. Sayer was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND LIBRARIAN the name of Chas. E. Somerset was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES eleven names were suubmitted in nomination, to serve a two year term, i.e.:

Samuel Burland
James Buchan
J. J. Bannerman
Harry Coddington
Hugh M. Kerr
Wm. McLellan
S. Hart Green
A. H. Steventon
W. J. Wilson
Harvey T. Waters
Walter C. McDonald

The number of ballots cast was 536, of which 22 were spoiled, making a valid vote of 514. The necessary quota to elect was 58. The following brethren received the necessary quota or an equivalent to elect:

1. J. J. Bannerman
2. H. Coddington
3. S. Hart Green
4. H. M. Kerr
5. W. C. McDonald
6. Wm. McLellan
7. A. H. Steventon
8. H. T. Waters

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

Only one name in each of the following Districts was submitted in nomination:

Second District .....E. A. Newcomb
Third District .....E. B. Litz
Fourth District .....W. R. Leslie

Sixth District .....G. A. McMorran
Seventh District .....H. J. Barter
Eighth District .....J. D. Lloyd

In the First Masonic District, three names were submitted in nomination, i.e.:

Arthur V. Pigott — Samuel C. Taylor
Wm. H. McPherson

The number of ballots cast was 143, all of which were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 73. Bro. Pigott was elected.

In the Fifth Masonic District, two names were submitted in nomination, i.e.: E. E. Grant and G. V. Henderson. The number of ballots cast was 20. Bro. Henderson was elected.

In the Ninth Masonic District, four names were submitted in nomination, i.e.:

W. J. Brown — J. Livesey
J. D. Houston — A. J. Webb

The number of ballots cast was 20. Bro. Brown was elected.

In the Tenth Masonic District, six names were submitted in nomination, i.e.:

T. R. Clayton — E. J. Kahle
R. M. Muckle — A. G. Phillips
H. Sherstone — J. R. Watson

The number of ballots cast was 59. Bro. J. R. Watson was elected.

In the Twelfth Masonic District two names were submitted in nomination: G. E. Miles and N. Rothstein. Ninety-nine votes were cast. Bro. Miles was elected.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

WM. DOUGLAS,
Chairman.

Moved by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), seconded by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), the Report of the Scrutineers on Elections was received and adopted.

HYMN—

"O Master, let me walk with Thee."

INSTALLATION CEREMONY

The Most Worshipful Grand Master, J. J. Henderson, called on M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), to assume the Gavel and install the Grand Lodge Officers.

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), called on R.W. Bro. Chas. R. Sayer (10) Grand Director of Ceremonies to assist him.

M.W. Bro. James Mackie (4), assisted in the Ceremonies by installing the District Deputy Grand Masters.

The following Grand Lodge Officers, Elected and Appointed were duly installed in Office:

ELECTED

M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert (1), Winnipeg, Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni (11), Gladstone, Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4), Winnipeg...Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Sam. Burland (12), St. Vital....Junior Grand Warden
The other Grand Lodge Officers were re-elected to Office.

APPOINTED

V.W. Bro. J. E. Harrison (50), Killarney..Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. A. B. Fee (150), Cartwright....Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. S. W. Robertson (139), Winnipeg, Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. E. B. Complin (10), Winnipeg, Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon (130), Winnipeg.....Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. J. D. McKinlay (1), Winnipeg.....Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Wm. Campbell (127), Winnipeg.....Grand Tyler

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

1st Masonic District, R.W. Bro. A. V. Pigott (10)....Winnipeg
2nd Masonic District, R.W. Bro. E. A. Newcomb (108).Winnipeg
3rd Masonic District, R.W. Bro. E. B. Litz (87).....Rathwell
4th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. W. R. Leslie (13).....Morden
5th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. G.V. Henderson (106), Strathclair
6th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27)...Souris
7th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. H. J. Barter (19)....Brandon
8th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd (6).....Emerson
9th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. Wm. J. Brown (147)..Bowsman
10th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. J. R. Watson (112).Beausejour
12th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. G. E. Miles (136)....Winnipeg

Most Worshipful Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, Grand Master Elect, thanked M.W. Bro. Harry Woods and the other Installing Officers for the impressive Installation Ceremony.

PRESENTATION

M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, retiring Grand Master, in a few complimentary remarks presented M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, Grand Master Elect, with a Grand Master's Collar and Apron, on behalf of Grand Lodge, to which M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert made a very fitting reply in accepting the presentation.

M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, presented M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, the retiring Grand Master with a Past Grand Master's Jewel on behalf of Grand Lodge, to which he made a very happy reply and expressed to M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert the hope that the year lying ahead would be one of happy and harmonious service in the cause of Freemasonry in this Jurisdiction.

The newly installed Grand Master, after expressing his thanks and appreciation to the brethren for the honor conferred on him called on the new Junior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. Sam. Burland, to say a few words on behalf of the Elected Grand Lodge Officers; R.W. Bro. A. V. Pigott, on behalf of the newly installed District Deputy Grand Masters; and V.W. Bro. S. W. Robertson on behalf of the Appointed Officers.

All three brethren carried out the duties imposed on them by the Grand Master in a very happy manner.

R.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon Albert Philip Gower-Rees in a few impressive sentences, extended hearty congratula-

tions to M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert on his Election to the position of Grand Master, and to M.W. Bro. Harry Woods for the beautiful Installation Ceremony.

The brethren sang the closing hymn:
"O God of Bethel, by Whose hand."

CLOSING OF GRAND LODGE

The business of Grand Lodge having been completed, the Sixty-sixth Annual Communication was closed in Ample Form after prayer by R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Chaplain, and singing "God Save the King".

J. H. G. Russell

Grand Secretary.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS
ELECTED AND APPOINTED FOR 1941-1942

Grand Master.....M.W. Bro. Canon Geo. R. Calvert (1) Winnipeg
Deputy Grand Master...R.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni (11)..Gladstone
Senior Grand Warden...R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4).....Winnipeg
Junior Grand Warden...R.W. Bro. Samuel Burland (12).....St. Vital
Grand Treasurer .....R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3).....Winnipeg
Grand Secretary.....R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114)....Winnipeg
Grand Chaplain .....R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey (25)...Winnipeg
Grand Historian .....M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4).....Winnipeg
G. D. of Ceremonies....R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer (10).....Winnipeg
Grand Librarian.....R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset (2)....Selkirk

Senior Grand Deacon ...V.W. Bro. J. E. Harrison (50).....Killarney
Junior Grand Deacon...V.W. Bro. A. B. Fee (150).....Cartwright
Senior Grand Steward...V.W. Bro. S. W. Robertson (139)...Winnipeg
Junior Grand Steward...V.W. Bro. E. B. Complin (10).....Winnipeg
Grand Organist.....V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon (130).....Winnipeg
Grand Pursuivant .....V.W. Bro. J. D. McKinlay (1).....Winnipeg
Grand Tyler .....V.W. Bro. Wm. Campbell (127)....Winnipeg

1st Masonic District...R.W. Bro. A. V. Pigott (10).....Winnipeg
2nd Masonic District...R.W. Bro. E. A. Newcomb (108)....Winnipeg
3rd Masonic District...R.W. Bro. E. B. Litz (87).....Rathwell
4th Masonic District...R.W. Bro. W. R. Leslie (13).....Morden
5th Masonic District...R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson (106)..Strathclair
6th Masonic District...R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27).....Souris
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8th Masonic District...R.W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd (6).....Emerson
9th Masonic District...R.W. Bro. Wm. J. Brown (147).....Bowsman
10th Masonic District...R.W. Bro. J. R. Watson (112)....Beausejour
12th Masonic District...R.W. Bro. Geo. E. Miles (136).....Winnipeg

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

PRESIDENT:

R.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni (11), Deputy Grand Master....Gladstone

VICE-PRESIDENT:

R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4), Senior Grand Warden.....Winnipeg

BY VIRTUE OF OFFICE:

M.W. Bro. Rev. S. P. Matheson (10), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. E. A. Braithwaite (10), Past Grand Master.....Edmonton
M.W. Bro. James Scroggie (10), Past Grand Master.....Vancouver
M.W. Bro. H. J. Pugh (113), Past Grand Master.....North Battleford

M.W. Bro. E. M. Walker (10), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Wm. Fenwick (113), Past Grand Master.....Brandon
M.W. Bro. Henry E. Bletcher (1), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Ed. T. Greenway (71), Past Grand Master.....Crystal City
M.W. Bro. Albert J. Hatcher (19), Past Grand Master.....Stonewall
M.W. Bro. Geo. N. Jackson (25), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Justice W. J. Major (25), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Jas. S. MacEwing (51), Past Grand Master.....Treherne
M.W. Bro. Albert L. Crossin (10), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. J. C. Walker Reid (86), Past Grand Master.....Underhill
M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller (25), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. William Douglas (4), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. George Hunter (10), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Norman J. Black (3), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. David S. Woods, (90), Past Grand Master.....St. Vital
M.W. Bro. James Mackie (4), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Geo. N. Weir (60 G.R.S.) Hon. P.G.M.....Victoria
M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt (130), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (130), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd (140), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins (68), Past Grand Master.....Dauphin
M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25, Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), Past Grand Master.....Shoal Lake
M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert (1), Grand Master.....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Samuel Burland (12), Junior Grand Warden.....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3), Grand Treasurer.....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), Grand Secretary.....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey (25), Grand Chaplain.....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. E. G. Hunt, (3), Hon. Member.....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. T. A. Argue (55), Hon. Member.....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset (2), Hon. Member.....Selkirk
W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), Hon. Member.....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. A. V. Pigott (10), D.D.G.M. 1st Masonic District..Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. E. A. Newcomb (108), D.D.G.M. 2nd Masonic Dist..Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. E. B. Litz (87), D.D.G.M. 3rd Masonic District....Rathwell
R.W. Bro. W. R. Leslie (13), D.D.G.M. 4th Masonic District....Morden
R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson (106), D.D.G.M. 5th Masonic D., Strathclair
R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27), D.D.G.M. 6th Masonic District..Souris
R.W. Bro. H. J Barter (19), D.D.G.M. 7th Masonic District...Brandon
R.W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd (6), D.D.G.M. 8th Masonic District....Emerson
R.W. Bro. Wm. J. Brown (147), D.D.G.M. 9th Masonic Dist...Bowsman
R.W. Bro. J. R. Watson (112), D.D.G.M. 10th Masonic Dist..Beausejour
R.W. Bro. G. E. Miles (136), D.D.G.M. 12th Masonic District..Winnipeg

ELECTED BY GRAND LODGE:

R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1).....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon (3).....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters (25).....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70).....Roland

W. Bro. J. J. Bannerman (93).....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr (113).....Brandon
R.W. Bro. Wm. McLellan (114).....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green (143).....Winnipeg
V.W. Bro. W. C. Birt (4).....Winnipeg
W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4).....Winnipeg
W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24).....Neepawa
R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate (50).....Killarney
R.W. Bro. Chas. Midwinter (111).....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (113).....Brandon
R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood (144).....Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Tom. Stockdale (146).....Winnipeg

STANDING COMMITTEES OF BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

The first name is Chairman of the Committee

JURISPRUDENCE AND APPEALS

R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green
M.W. Bro. N. J. Black — R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker — W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy

CONDITION OF FREEMASONRY

R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker
M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt — M.W. Bro. George Hunter
R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer — R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter
R.W. Bro. Sam. Burland — R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey
W. Bro. A. E. Boyle

CORRESPONDENCE

R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr
M.W. Bro. George Hunter — M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller
R.W. Bro. H. Coddington — W. Bro. J. F. Irwin

INVESTMENTS

M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt
M.W. Bro. J. T. Boyd — R.W. Bro. Wm. McLellan
R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess — R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters

FINANCE

R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon
M.W. Bro. James Mackie — R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter
R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess — R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood

BENEVOLENCE

M.W. Bro. George Hunter
M.W. Bro. J. T. Boyd — M.W. Bro. W. J. Major
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas — M.W. Bro. Harry Woods
R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon

RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

R.W. Bro. Sam. Burland
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas — M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
R.W. Bro. Rev. Somerset — R.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer — W. Bro. J. F. Irwin
R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate — W. Bro. A. E. Boyle

FOREIGN RELATIONS

M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters — R.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green — R.W. Bro. Wm. McLellan
R.W. Bro. Tom. Stockdale

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson
M.W. Bro. H. E. Bletcher — M.W. Bro. Wm. Fenwick
M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin — M.W. Bro. Harry Woods
M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
M.W. Bro. Jas. Mackie — R.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate — W. Bro. J. J. Bannerman

FRATERNAL DEAD

M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods
M.W. Bro. H. E. Bletcher — R.W. Bro. T. Stockdale
W. Bro. A. E. Boyle — R.W. Bro. S. A. Wood

CREDENTIALS AND ELECTION

V.W. Bro. W. C. Birt
R.W. Bro. T. A. Argue — W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr — W. Bro. J. J. Bannerman

RECEPTION

M.W. Bro. J. T. Boyd
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods — M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington

REPORTS OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit to you, for your approval, my report as your representative in the First Masonic District, for the year 1940-'41.

The following District Officers were appointed by me:
Wor. Bro. M. M. McElheran.....Secretary
Right Wor. Rev. T. Neville.....Chaplain
Very Wor. Bro. W. P. White.....Treasurer
Right Wor. Bro. J. C. Grant. Imp. D.D.G.M., was made a member of the District Executive.

My District Officers met for organization and preparation of programs on August 16th, 1940, when it was decided to meet with the Sitting Masters of the First Masonic District. The meeting of the Sitting Masters and the Officers of the First Masonic District was held in Moore's Restaurant on Friday, September 6th, 1940. Right Wor. Bro. B. C. Parker and Wor. Bro. A. E. Boyle, were among our distinguished guests. R.W. Bro. B. C. Parker addressed the Sitting Masters present on the Grand Lodge program to raise the sum of $50,000.00 to assist Canada's War Effort and appealed to every Lodge in the District to get behind the project and make it a success. Bro. Parker also reviewed in brief the last communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M. The meeting was then thrown open to discussion when Bros. Boyle, Dougall, Warren, White, Beresford and Neville gave timely counsel and helpful suggestions for the benefit of the Lodges of the District. The presence of the brethren on this occasion and their help is greatly appreciated.

The First Masonic District Meeting was held in the Blue Room of the Masonic Temple on Saturday, October 19th, 1940. The meeting was opened with prayer by Right Wor. Bro. Neville on behalf of the Empire, the King's Forces on land, in air, and on the sea, and for the millions suffering in the lands occupied by the ruthless and cruel invaders. Among the distinguished brethren present were, Right Wor. Bro. F. W. Brownell, D.D.G.M. District No. 10 and Right Wor. Bro. A. Phillips, D.D.G.M., District No. 12. These brethren were received with the Honors of

the Order and welcomed after being introduced by Wor. Bro. Cowan. It was our extreme pleasure having you and other Past Grand Masters and Grand Lodge Officers with us on this occasion. The Brethren present deeply appreciated your most masterly and inspiring address, which will long be remembered for the beautiful thoughts so well expressed. At this meeting, Most Wor. Past Grand Master, W. D. Lawrence, on behalf of the First Masonic District, presented to Right Wor. Bro. J. C. Grant, Immediate Past D.D.G.M., the Collar and Apron of his Office.

Right Wor. Bro. Geo. Calvert, Deputy Grand Master, addressed the Brethren on the forthcoming "Service of Witness" to be held in the Winnipeg Auditorium on Sunday, November 17th, 1940, and appealed to all present to do what they could to make this service a pronounced success.

Most Wor. Bro. Harry Wood gave an enthusiastic address on the Masonic Library and appealed to the brethren to use it, and use him as Librarian, to the fullest extent.

My official visits to the Lodges of the First Masonic District were made on the following dates:

Norwood Lodge No. 119.....October 10th, 1940
King Edward Lodge No. 93.....October 16th, 1940
Empire Lodge No. 127.....October 28th, 1940
St. James Lodge No. 121.....November 13th, 1940
The Assiniboine Lodge No. 114.....January 7th, 1941
Acacia Lodge No. 111.....January 8th, 1941
Northern Light Lodge No. 10.....January 16th, 1941
Ionic Lodge No. 25.....February 3rd, 1941
St. John's Lodge No. 4.....February 5th, 1941
Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3....February 17th, 1941
Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.....February 18th, 1941

On all my official visits I was accompanied by a large number of Past Masters and Sitting Masters of the First Masonic District Lodges, and on every occasion, was cordially received. The expressions of loyalty from the Brethren of the First Masonic District to yourself, and to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, were as sincere as they were enthusiastic. The brethren also expressed their unwavering loyalty to His Majesty the King and the British Empire, and their feelings of deep responsibility in the trying times through which the Empire is passing.

On many of my official visits I was privileged to witness degree work in the Lodges, and when there was no degree work during any such visits, I made it an event to visit again when degrees were being conferred. I cannot commend too highly the

Masters, Wardens and other officers taking part, for the able manner in which the degree work was done and the very efficient manner in which the charges and lectures were given. I was much impressed with the assistance given by Past Masters. Great credit must be given to the brethren in charge of preparing candidates for Initiation, as in every case, they gave proof of their proficiency in the preceding degrees. I would be remiss in my duty if I did not call attention, and pay tribute, to the fine type of candidate who is being initiated into our Order.

I beg to call attention to Lodge visitations, which is in a flourishing condition in the First Masonic District, and is of prime importance in creating one of the best influences for inspiring and suustaining enthusiasm among the brethren. Here old friendships are renewed, new friendships made, and weaker Lodges feel the brotherly influence of the stronger Lodges. I earnestly recommend their continuance and fostering.

The need for better attendance at our Lodge meetings was one of the subjects which received special emphasis by your D.D.G.M. and a strong appeal made to all Past Masters and older members of the Craft to rally to the regular meetings of the Lodge, and help to fill the many gaps being made by so many of our younger members joining His Majesty's Forces in defence of the Empire.

"The Service of Witness" held in the Winnipeg Auditorium on November 17th, 1940, when over 3000 of our brethren were gathered together in religious service—presided over by you Most Wor. Sir—was of surpassing importance in the history of Masonry in Manitoba. It was one of the most inspiring meetings ever held in this Jurisdiction under Masonic auspices. Right Wor. Bro. G. Calvert delivered a most eloquent and inspiring address which gave a strong impetus to the endeavor of the Grand Lodge to raise $50,000.00 towards Canada's War Effort.

The Brethren of the First Masonic District complied with the wishes of the Committee on Masonic War Effort in having a District Church Service held on February 9th, 1941, in St. Matthews Church, Winnipeg. Right Wor. Bro. Calvert conducted the service, assisted by Most Wor. Bro. Harry Woods, Most Wor. Bro. W. Lawrence and your Dist. Dep. Grand Master. Let me again extend to you the thanks of the brethren who attended this service for your impressive and timely message. May I recommend that District Church Services be an annual event throughout the Grand Jurisdiction.

It has been my pleasure to call the attention of the Brethren to the value of the Masonic Library and the opportunities it affords to members of the Craft to study the beginnings and the great objectives of Masonry, to learn the many meanings of our Ritual, the universality of our Craft, and the ready help and guidance of our Librarian, Most Wor. Bro. Harry Woods.

The question of the Masonic Funeral Service, its length in this cold winter climate and the many repetitions and committal following the regular Church burial service, came up for discussion on several occasions. I would strongly recommend that Grand Lodge take some action, appointing a committee to make adjustments and amendments whereby these repetitions may be eliminated and the service made shorter and more helpful to those concerned and taking part, and report to the Grand Lodge for approval or otherwise.

I wish to thank, and pay tribute to, the courtesy, kindness and promptness of our Grand Secretary, J. H. G. Russell, who at all times has been ready and willing to answer all questions, give counsel, and in many other ways render assistance when called upon.

I desire to place on record my hearty thanks to Right Wor. Bro. Parker, Wor. Bro. Boyle, and to the officers of the First Masonic District, the Past Masters, the Sitting Masters, and the many Brethren who have been so faithful, sympathetic and helpful during my term of office as D.D.G.M.

In conclusion, may I express to the Brethren of the First Masonic District, my deepest gratitude for the great honor conferred upon me in electing me their District Deputy Grand Master. It has been a real pleasure to serve them and receive their fullest support and co-operation at all times.

Fraternally submitted,

HARRY CODDINGTON,
District Deputy Grand Master, District No. 1,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

May 16th, 1941.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I beg to submit my report as your District Deputy Grand Master in the Second Masonic District for the year 1940-1941.

The weather conditions being quite unfavorable at times, as the result of which I was unable to visit all the Lodges twice. I did make in all, twenty-one visits throughout the District, and upon all occasions I was accompanied by some of the Brethren, varying in number from four to twenty or more. I was received in all cases as your representative, with the Grand honours and the Brethren going along with me upon each occasion were welcomed and thoroughly enjoyed their visit.

In June, 1940, I visited Gothic Lodge No. 75, with a party of about thirty of the Brethren from Assiniboine Lodge, when they took the Travelling Register to that Lodge. All were very pleased with the trip and were entertained even to the fourth degree.

July 8th, 1940, I made my first official visit to Gladstone Lodge No. 11, two carloads going with me and Rt. Wor. Bro. Cairns being one of the party, gave us a history of that Lodge when it was first instituted. Rt. Wor. Bro. S. H. Fahrni gave us some interesting facts about the Lodge as it is in Gladstone today. I again visited Gladstone Lodge on May 12th, 1941, but upon neither occasion did I see Degree work. This Lodge is progressing quite favorably.

July 11th, 1940, I made my official visit to Union Lodge No. 108 at Brookdale. The Lodge building has been moved and put upon a good foundation. The Lodge was opened and closed in a creditable manner. There was no degree work that night. The S.G.W., Rt. Wor. Bro. Fahrni, gave a short address and also congratulated the members upon their effort in repairing the Lodge building.

August 20th, 1940, I officially visited Temple Lodge No. 49 at MacGregor, Man., several of the Brethren accompanying me. There was a good attendance from the local Lodge and they conferred the M.M. Degree in a very able manner. This Lodge has the Work well in hand and is showing progress. They own their Temple. We were treated to a lunch and all had an enjoyable evening. I later visited this Lodge upon two other occasions.

September 10th, 1940, I officially visited Neepawa Lodge No. 24 and upon this occasion I was accompanied by two carloads of Brethren. We saw them confer the E.A. Degree and all had a profitable and pleasant evening. I again visited this Lodge on May 13th, 1941, when I saw the F.C. Degree conferred in a very efficient manner. This I consider to be the Banner Lodge of the Second Masonic District.

September 11th, 1940, I paid my official visit to Gothic Lodge No. 75 at Austin, four Brethren accompanying me. The work of the Lodge was carried out in a very efficient manner. We partook of a very fine lunch. We all felt deeply their loss just previously of three stalwart members, in the persons of Rt. Wor. Bro. Joe Morris, Wor. Bro. James Hay and Wor. Bro. Harold Thomas. These were members who had served Masonry well for many years and were well known by many throughout the Second Masonic District. Accompanied by Rt. Wor. Bro. Wm. Cairns, I was able to attend the last Masonic Rites for Wor. Bro. Hay.

September 12th, 1940, I officially visited McCreary Lodge No. 133 and although this is a small Lodge it is carrying on satisfactorily and with enthusiasm and harmony. One carload made this journey.

October 4th, 1940, our Second Masonic District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple at Portage la Prairie, the Officers upon this occasion being:

M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson.....Grand Master
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell.....Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Wm. Cairns.....District Chaplain
Bro. C. C. Simpson.....District Secretary
R.W. Bro. John McKenzie.....D.D. Grand Master
W. Bro. A. T. Herbert, Neepawa Lodge No. 24.....S.W.
W. Bro. B. Angus, McCreary Lodge No. 133.....J.W.
W. Bro. W. J. Wenham, Temple Lodge No. 49....S.D.
W. Bro. A. Dewar, Gladstone Lodge No. 11.....J.D.
W. Bro. A. M. Clark, Neepawa Lodge No. 24.....S.S.
W. Bro. G. W. Wells, St. Andrews Lodge No. 116.....J.S.
W. Bro. P. A. Ballantyne, Union Lodge No. 108..I.G.
W. Bro. H. S. Atkins, Gothic Lodge No. 75.....Tyler
W. Bro. G. T. Wright, Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, D. of C.

The Brethren of this District were especially appreciative of the presence of the Most Worshipful The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson and of six other elected Grand Lodge Officers. It is to be noted that there were eighteen Past D.D.G.M.'s present and the D.D.G.M. from the Third Masonic District. There were many Brethren also attended from other Districts. Such attendance is greatly appreciated.

A spirited and constructive business session was held in the afternoon, following which we were given an exemplification of the F. C. Degree by Neepawa Lodge No. 24, the work of P.D.D.G.M., Rt. Wor. Bro. W. G. Pollock being especially commendable. Bro.

Geo. A. Dickson, as after-dinner speaker, delighted his audience with his address entitled "The World Through Rose Colored Glasses." Resuming labor in the Temple at 9.05 p.m., the highlight of the District Meeting was the Address of The M.W. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson—a talk covering many phases of Masonry, and referred to his asking the Masonic Brethren to raise the sum of $50,000.00 in the near future, which amount was to be handed to the Dominion Government for war purposes to be used as they deemed fit. The presentation of the P.D.D.G.M. apron to Rt. Wor. Bro. W. M. Jackson by M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson was very pleasantly performed. All Grand Lodge Officers present gave short addresses. The S.G.W., Rt. Wor. Bro. S. H. Fahrni outlined the preparation under way for a Masonic service, "A Service of Witness and Rededication to God." to be held in the Civic Auditorium in Winnipeg, Sunday, November 17th, as the beginning of the drive to raise the sum the M.W. The Grand Master had asked. W. Bro. E. A. Newcomb of Union Lodge No. 108 was nominated for D.D.G.M. for the Second Masonic District for 1941-1942.

On October 21st, 1940, I visited St. Andrews Lodge No. 116 at Wellwood and found the Work quite satisfactory. Rt. Wor. Bro. J. P. Lawrie gave a very instructive address.

November 17th, 1940, I attended the Masonic Service of Witness and Rededication in Winnipeg and was much impressed and inspired, as I am sure were all of those who were able to be present or heard this Service over the radio. We received a message long to be remembered.

April 8th, 1941, I officially visited Carberry Lodge No. 29. Owing to the roads being in a very bad condition there was not a large attendance. This appears to be a very friendly Lodge with a comfortable Lodge Room, artistically decorated. The younger members appear to be taking a real interest in their Lodge and its welfare. Two carloads accompanied me.

March 17th, 1941, I officially visited Assiniboine Lodge No. 7 and upon this particular night there were few Brethren in attendance. There was no Degree work, but I know that they can confer Degrees in a very efficient manner. They have a fine Temple, but it appears that, considering the large membership, the average attendance at Lodge is not as large as one would expect. There was an active Study Club which, during the past two years has apparently been losing ground.

On December 27th, 1940, I also visited Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, upon which occasion the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, J. J. Henderson, was present, coming from Shoal Lake for the

purpose of presenting a Fifty-Year Jewel to Wor. Bro. Joe Hyde. In carrying out this ceremony Most Wor. Bro. Henderson stated that in his opinion it was the duty and privilege of the Grand Master to present such well earned distinguishing tokens of faithful and valued service.

During my term of office I have tried to serve you, Most Worshipful Sir, to the best of my capabilities and in so doing it has given me much pleasure and I feel that I can report that Freemasonry in this District is not faltering. Also in making these visitations I have thoroughly enjoyed associating myself with a great many old friends and I have found that all of the Brethren were most anxious to co-operate with me, which has made this year a happy one. I have also found that there is a very good feeling between the different Lodges of the District and a willingness to work together for good.

All of which is sincerely and fraternally submitted.

JOHN McKENZIE,
D.D.G.M. Second Masonic District.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge

of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.
Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor of submitting to you my report as your District Deputy Grand Master for the year 1940-1941 in the Third Masonic District.

In spite of weather conditions, which at times were quite unfavorable, I was able to visit all Lodges in the District Officially. I had the pleasure of attending two District meetings apart from my own, at the invitation of the Grand Master, as well as two Divine Services of Masonic character; one of these at the Winnipeg Auditorium on November 17th, 1940, and the other one at Holland on October 24th, 1940. Lastly, I had the pleasure of accompanying the Most Worshipful the Grand Master on his visit to Brandon Lodge, No. 19 on the evening of May 13th last.

The first District Meeting I had the pleasure of attending was the Meeting of the Fifth Masonic District, held at Shoal Lake on Sept. 3rd, 1940, the other was the Meeting of the Second Masonic District, held at Portage la Prairie on October 4th, 1940.

On all of those occasions I was much impressed by the hearty manner in which the Grand Master was received by the Brethren.

My Official visits to the several Lodges of the District were as follows:

Holland No. 63,.....September 11th, 1940
Swan Lake No. 103,.....October 16th, 1940
Wawanesa No. 67,.....October 21st, 1940
Cypress No. 82,.....November 7th, 1940
Treherne No. 51,.....November 8th, 1940
Crescent No. 103.....November 13th, 1940
Glenboro No. 48,.....January 13th, 1941
Strathcona No. 117,.....April 8th, 1941
Rathwell No. 87,.....May 6th, 1941

On each of these visits I addressed the Brethren and was loyally received as your Representatives.

DISTRICT MEETING

The District Meeting was held at Belmont on Thursday, September 26th, 1940. We were honored by the presence of the following Grand Lodge Officers:

M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson.....Grand Master
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell.....Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni.....Senior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods.....Past Grand Master
V.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson.....Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. J. D. Harrower.....Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick.....Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. John Storman, Senior Grand Steward, Grand Lodge of N. D.

At the afternoon session an interesting paper, as a basis for discussion, was delivered by Wor. Bro. E. A. Syms, many of the Brethren joining in the discussion which followed. Several pointed questions were directed at the Grand Secretary during this session, and he responded as usual, giving the brethren the benefit of his wise counsel.

Following the afternoon session a banquet was served, at which the usual toasts were proposed and responded to. Wor. Bro. Syms acted as Toastmaster on this occasion.

The highlights of the evening session were: the reception of the Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers and the inspiring and

searching address which the Grand Master delivered, which will long be remembered by the brethren present. Other Grand Lodge Officers gave brief addresses.

A pleasant interlude in the evening session was the presentation of a Past Dist. Deputy Grand Master's Regalia to R.W. Bro. G. O. Couch for his past services. M.W. Bro. Harry Woods made the presentation in his usual pleasing manner. The utmost harmony prevailed during all sessions of the District Meeting; the Grand Master took particular notice of this fact and commented on it later. The total attendance at the meeting was ninety-six.

As to the condition of Masonry in the Third Masonic District, I would consider it to be healthy, although like most Districts not all that could be desired. Attendance, I am sure, could be improved as it applies to Regular Meetings, and Junior Officers could take their duties much more seriously by their regular attendance at meetings. Visiting between sister Lodges should be extended, and the medium of the Travelling Square should be a great incentive to such visiting in the Third Masonic District.

With reference to our War effort and the Service of Witness already commented on, which was an outstanding success, I would like to add that in response to suggestions of the Committee of Grand Lodge on that matter, to hold as many Divine Services as possible throughout the Grand Jurisdiction. Holland Lodge No. 63 took the initiative in arranging for a Service at Holland. The Lodge, with the sanction and support of the D.D.G.M., circularized all Lodges in the District in an endeavor to make this a Dist. Divine Service, with the result that six out of nine Lodges were represented at this Service. The D.D.G.M., at the suggestion of the Holland Brethren and the officiating Minister, took part in the Service by reading the lesson. The approximate number present was forty.

Most Worshipful Sir, in closing my report I wish to thank you for your kindness and your consideration for me at all times during my term of office. I also would now thank our Grand Secretary for valuable advice and assistance given so cheerfully at all times. Further, I want to take this opportunity to thank our own District Officers for their help so loyally given; Wor. Bro. Crawford, District Secretary, Wor. Bro. Syms, District Chaplain, and all the Brethren who so kindly accompanied me on my several visits throughout the District, as well as my predecessors in this Office, whose counsel I often received and appreciated.

Finally, I wish to thank the Brethren of the Third Masonic District, generally, for the confidence placed in me by choosing me for this Office which I have at all times endeavored to fill to the best of my ability.

Fraternally submitted,

D. MACDONALD,
D.D.G.M., Third Masonic District.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor, as your representative, during the past year in the office of District Deputy Grand Master to submit for your consideration my report on the Condition of Freemasonry in the Fourth Masonic District.

First, I wish to express my sincere gratification for the great honor you so graciously conferred on me by confirming my appointment and to the Brethren who so kindly nominated me to this office, my deepest appreciation. I only hope that I have to some extent merited the confidence placed in me.

Immediately following my election, I appointed a District Secretary and Chaplain. For those respective offices I selected R.W. Bro. Arthur Marsh and Bro. J. W. Cruikshank.

The District meeting was held in Manitou on September 23rd, 1940, with a registered attendance of 88. Every Lodge in the District was represented. All were honored by the presence of the following Grand Lodge Officers:

M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson.....Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Geo Calvert .....Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Ben Parker .....Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell .....Grand Secretary
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods .....Grand Librarian
M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence.....Past Grand Master
V.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson .....Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. J. D. Harrower .....Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick .....Junior Grand Steward

The afternoon session of the meeting was taken up by district business, reports on conditions in their respective Lodges were given by all secretaries present. Some very good discussions followed. R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary, gave a very helpful talk on what he considered would be a means of encouraging attendance at Lodge meetings.

The remarks by Bro. Solomon Frank of Mount Sinai Lodge at the refreshment hour were most inspiring and could not help but make a lasting impression on all those in attendance.

The evening session was called to order at 8.15 p.m. The Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, and his suite were introduced by Bro. Robert Cringan.

Presentation of the P.D.D.G.M's apron was made to R.W. Bro. Edward Dow by M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence with very fitting remarks. This was followed by an eloquent and forceful address by the M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, Grand Master, on character. This splendid address has been very helpful in maintaining the true spirit of Freemasonry throughout the District during the year, and has been a real inspiration to me.

R.W. Bro. Ben Parker followed with an address on the work being done by the Grand Lodge War Assistance Committee, stating that $50,000 was to be raised from Masons in the Grand Jurisdiction to help the Empire's War Effort.

R.W. Bro. Calvert spoke on the same topic with great force, emphasizing the urgency of this appeal. These addresses made a very favorable impression on the Brethren.

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, Grand Librarian addressed the Brethren urging them to take advantage of the wealth of knowledge contained in the Library and stressed the fact that the Library is open to all Master Masons in good standing in the Grand Jurisdiction, also urged the formation of study clubs in every Lodge as a means of stimulating interest at the regular meetings.

I officially visited and addressed the various Lodges of the District as follows:

Cartwright No. 150 ..... October 10th, 1940
Crystal No. 71 ..... October 15th, 1940
Doric No. 36 ..... October 22nd, 1940
Manitou No. 30 ..... November 5th, 1940
Mound No. 118 ..... November 14th, 1940
Killarney No. 50 ..... November 18th, 1940
Belmont No. 13 ..... November 21st, 1940

On all occasions I was received with the respect and courtesy due to the office I held as your representative. I also had the privilege of making some unofficial visits during the year, and at all times a most cordial welcome and sympathetic attentive hearing was accorded me.

I find a truly Masonic spirit exists in the District. The majority of the officers are a credit to their Lodges and to the Craft. I saw several Degrees exemplified, and the work was well done.

A number of the Lodges find the going rather difficult due to the stressful times through which we are passing; few, if any, initiations in several Lodges, and their membership is small.

In all of the Lodges, the officers are ably assisted by the Past Masters.

I have emphasized the necessity of inter-visitation in order to strengthen our District, and arouse the feeling of good fellowship, and this is now possible as no two Lodges meet on the same night.

I have, at all times, stressed the great need of the faithful support by the Brethren of the Grand Lodge War Fund.

To the Brethren who received me on my visitation and the Brethren who accompanied me, I owe a debt of gratitude, particularly I wish to thank my good friend, R.W. Bro. Arthur Marsh for his guidance and advice.

In closing, let me again express my sincere thanks for the great honor you have conferred on me. I have enjoyed my association with Grand Lodge and the Craft as your representative,

Fraternally submitted,

W. A. POMMER,
District Deputy Grand Master.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report as D.D.G.M., Fifth Masonic District, for the year 1940-41.

Although I entered upon my duties with a certain amount of apprehension, based upon a sense of responsibility to you, and a knowledge of my limitations, friendly encouragement greeted me everywhere and made the work pleasant for me, and I hope in some measure of value to the District.

I am indeed pleased to state that in all Lodges in this District, harmony prevails and a wholesome and progressive spirit is manifest throughout the District, and that loyalty to you, Most Worshipful Sir, and to the Grand Lodge, has been most evident.

On September 3rd, 1940, the District Meeting was held at Shoal Lake, under the auspices of Shoal Lake Lodge No. 92. There was a registered attendance of 108 Masons, all the thirteen Lodges in the Fifth Masonic District being represented.

At the afternoon session a free discussion of District business was indulged in, and R.W. Bro. G. A. Eakins, Prince of Wales Lodge No. 14, gave an address on "What Freemasonry Stands For," and Wor. Bro. G. A. Lauman, Birtle Lodge No. 39, gave a talk on "Landmarks." Both these addresses were interesting and instructive and held the interest of all present. I am indebted to Bro. Eakins and Bro. Lauman for their valuable contributions.

At 6 p.m. the Brethren attended a complimentary banquet at the Parish Hall, prepared by the Ladies of Royal York Chapter No. 30, O.E.S. This social hour was made most enjoyable by the presence of V. Wor. Bro. J. Lyon, grand Organist, who lead the short musical programme.

The evening session opened at 8.20, at which time we were honored with the presence of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, in his Official capacity, together with M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell and other Grand Lodge Officers.

The Grand Master favored the brethren with an inspiring and instructive address, his subject being "The Winding Stairs," which was timely and well received.

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods made a few well received remarks on the Masonic Library, and most generously offered to open the Library after the usual closing hours to accommodate Brethren living in rural districts. It is hoped that the Brethren will avail themselves of this generous offer, and make themselves more acquainted with the Library, thus realizing its value from a standpoint of Masonic education and enlightenment.

On Sunday, June 16th, 1940, a District Church service was held at Shoal Lake, attended by the M.W. The Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Calvert, D.G.M., and other Grand Lodge Officers. Sixty-five Masons attended this service from the various Lodges in this Fifth Masonic District. The Service was in St. Paul's Anglican Church, conducted by R.W. Bro. Calvert, assisted by M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, Grand Master, and R. W. Coddington, D.D.G.M., First Masonic District.

During the year several of the Lodges held their own Church Services.

I officially visited all the Lodges in the District as follows:

Hamiota No. 84 .....September 24th, 1940
Miniota No. 102 .....September 26th, 1940
Rivers No. 115 .....September 30th, 1940
Corinthian No. 15 .....October 1st, 1940
Foxwarren No. 152 .....October 2nd, 1940
Shellmouth No. 129 .....October 3rd, 1940
Russell No. 62 .....October 8th, 1940
Prince of Wales No. 14 .....October 10th, 1940
Binscarth No. 101 .....October 15th, 1940
Harmony No. 142 .....October 17th, 1940
Strathclair No. 106 .....November 11th, 1940
Birtle No. 39 .....December 10th, 1940
Shoal Lake No. 92 .....Januaury 8th, 1941

On each of these visits I was formally and courteously received with honors due the representative of Grand Lodge.

Considering the unprecedented conditions which we, at the present time, are experiencing, I stressed in my addresses the serious responsibility which devolves upon us as Masons and citizens. That on the issue of the supreme test of Right against Wrong, hangs the welfare of the World and all peoples. That indifference and procrastination have no place in present day Masonic thought, and that the time has come for firm, consistent action. That each must do his share so that Democracy may be saved, and the fair name of Freemasonry remain unsullied.

I also stressed the need for strong leadership in our Lodges. That the utmost care should be exercised in the selection of Lodge Officers. Under the present system where Lodges follow the "Line of preferment," the brother starting at the bottom of the Lodge line will, ultimately, be the Master of that Lodge. Therefore, leadership of the highest order cannot be maintained unless, in the selection and appointment of a Junior Officer, his fitness to fill the Master's chair is kept in mind.

On all my Official visits I asked that I be permitted to witness an exemplification of one of the Degrees, the work to be put on entirely by the sitting Officers. In most cases my request was granted. I can report that in every case the work was performed impressively and with dignity and precision.

I had the privilege of visiting four of the Lodges a second time, unofficially. These visits were a source of pleasure to me, and I am indeed sorry that circumstances beyond my control made it impossible for me to visit all the Lodges a second time.

My duties throughout the year, without exception, have been exceedingly pleasant. I am profoundly appreciative of the honor that has come to me through my election to this high office. I would like to record my appreciation to the Brethren of the Fifth Masonic District for electing me to the Office of D.D.G.M. and to you, M.W. Sir, for confirming that election.

I very heartily thank Bro. George Turner of Shoal Lake, who ably discharged the duties of District Secretary, and Bro. A. E. Smith, Rapid City, District Chaplain.

I cannot conclude without expressing my heartfelt appreciation to all the Brethren of my own Lodge, Shoal Lake No. 92, for their zeal and untiring efforts on my behalf and the good of our Order. Particularly would I thank Wor. Bro. Loney, Wor. Bro. D. J. Lawson, Bro. C. W. McLean and Bro. N. Kaufman, who placed their cars at my disposal. Their loyalty to me in the performance of my duty has been a source of inspiration and strength. Space will not permit me to mention the names of all who accompanied me on my visits. I extend to them my sincere thanks.

Yours fraternally,

C. H. BAYFIELD,
D.D.G.M., Fifth Masonic District.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit my report as D.D.G.M. for the Sixth Masonic District, for the year 1940-41.

The Annual District Meeting of the Sixth Masonic District was held at Elgin on September 25th, 1940. In spite of the fact that wet weather had delayed harvesting operations, especially in the South-West part of the District, a commendable attendance of 109 is to be recorded, every Lodge in the District being well represented.

The afternoon meeting was given over to Lodge discussions, including a change in some of the Lodge meeting nights, as a number of our meetings took place in the early part of the month, and in some cases four meetings in the same week. This discussion was most successful, as some of the meeting nights have been changed, which is very beneficial to visiting. At this meeting also W. Bro. McMorran of Glenwood Lodge said that he would print a Lodge Directory of the Lodges in the District, with the names of the W.M. and the Secretary of each Lodge and the dates of their meetings for the year, which offer was gratefully received. W. Bro. McMorran is to be highly commended for this valuable contribution as every one in the District now has a copy of this Directory. At this meeting, excellent reports were given by the Secretaries of the different Lodges which showed that Masonry in this District is in a very healthy condition. After an instructive talk by the Grand Master, and questions answered by the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Harry Woods gave a short talk on the Grand Library.

The meeting was then called from labor to refreshment to attend a banquet in St. John's Anglican Church basement at 6.30, which was followed by the usual toast list.

At the evening Session, the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Henderson, was received with Grand Honors and welcomed. He was accompanied by M.W. Bro. J. C. Walker Reid, M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Oscar Ross, of District No. 7, V.W. Bro. Smith, S.G.D., V.W. Bro. Henderson, J.G.D., V.W. Bro. Harrower, S.G.S., V.W. Bro. Kilpatrick, J.G.S., and V.W. Bro. Taylor of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario.

R.W. Bro. Falconer of Deloraine Lodge, on behalf of the Brethren of the Sixth Masonic District then presented a P.D.D.G.M. apron to R.W. Bro. Cobb of Melita Lodge. R.W. Bro. Cobb thanked the Brethren for the honor conferred on him.

The Grand Master then delivered one of the most stirring and impressive addresses ever heard in a district meeting of the Sixth Masonic District.

R.W. Bro. Ross of the Seventh Masonic District brought greetings from that District. V.W. Bro. Taylor brought greetings from the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, and other Grand Lodge Officers gave short talks.

The District meeting was then closed in due form.

I am pleased to report, Most Worshipwul Sir, that I have had the privilege of visiting each Lodge in the District at least once. On each occasion I was most cordially received as your representative, and beg leave to submit that Brotherly Love and Harmony prevail throughout the District. The list of my official visits is as follows: Glenwood No. 27, November 8th, 1940; Deloraine No. 40, November 6th, 1940; Hartney No. 52, November 5th 1940; Oriental No. 54, October 4th, 1940; Napinka No. 77, October 3rd., 1940; Elgin No. 86, February 11th, 1941; Reston No. 104, September 12th, 1940; Kilwinning No. 110, April 14th, 1941.

As your representative I have attempted to pass along to the Brethren of the constituent Lodges, the suggestions outlined to us by your instructors, M.W. Bro. Harry Woods and M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt at the school of instruction at Winnipeg, which has resulted in greater uniformity in the District. In the latter part of my address I attempted to outline my interpretation of the degrees.

I wish to acknowledge the many kind invitations extended to myself to attend other District Meetings. It was my pleasure to attend the banquet and evening session of District No. 7, held at Virden under the guidance of R.W. Bro. Ross, and to convey to the Brethren of that District the fraternal greetings from District No. 6 I also had the pleasure to accompany R.W. Bro. Ross on his official visit to Brandon Lodge No. 19.

I attended the Service of Witness in Winnipeg on Nov. 17th and outlined to some of the Lodges a report of that meeting. We, in this District, also held a District Church Service of Witness on November 3rd. The speaker on that occasion was our D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Geo. Calvert, who gave a most inspiring address. He was accompanied by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods and R.W. Bro. Coddington, D.D.G.M., of District No. 1. We had about 150 members in attendance and I feel that this is something that will be continued in the future.

I would indeed be remiss in my report, if I did not make special mention of the capable services of our District Secretary, Bro. James McDole. Bro. McDole accompanied me on each of my official visits and supported me most generously and loyally at all times .

In conclusion, I should like to thank my Brethren of the District for the honor which they conferred on myself in selecting me to act as your representative, Most Worshipful Sir, and furthermore to convey my thanks to you, Sir, for concurring in that selection. The general spirit of good-fellowship prevailing throughout the District has been such that it has made my responsibility a real pleasure.

Fraternally submitted,

A. E. DRAPER,
D.D.G.M., Sixth Masonic District.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.
Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration and approval my report of the Seventh Masonic District, as D.D.G.M. for the year 1940-41.

In a manner fitting this important office and as the representative of you, our most worthy Grand Master, I have endeavored to carry out the duties of this high office to the best of my ability.

The loyalty, enthusiasm and warm welcome I have been accorded everywhere I have gone, has not only been an inspiration to me, but a real token of the devotion of the members of this District to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

During my term of office, I have made the following visits:

July 21st, 1940.—Attended the funeral of the late Wor. Bro. N. Cryderman, Elkhorn, Manitoba.

August 23rd.—Officiated at the funeral of the late Peter Scott, who died at Portage la Prairie, Man., and buried in Virden cemetery.

September 3rd.—Attended Fifth Masonic District meeting at Shoal Lake, Man.

September 12th.—Accompanied Rt. Wor. Bro. A. E. Draper of the Sixth Masonic District on his official visit to Reston Lodge.

September 24th.—Attended Official visit of Rt. Wor. Bro. C. H. Bayfield to the Hamiota Lodge.

September 17th.—Unofficially visited Tweed Lodge No. 113 and witnessed the Third Degree.

September 25th.—Attended the Sixth Masonic District Meeting at Elgin, Man.

September 27th.—Officiated on the occasion of the Seventh Masonic District Meeting at Virden, Man.

October 1st.—Assisted Lebanon Lodge No. 43 to confer the Third Degree at Mayfield, Sask.

October 8th.—Officially visited Brandon Lodge No. 19.

October 10th.—Officially visited Oak Lake Lodge No. 44.

October 15th.—Officially visited Lebanon Lodge No. 43.

October 16th.—Officially visited Lansdowne Lodge No. 107.

October 28th.—Assisted Lebanon Lodge confer 3rd Degree at Elgin, Man.

November 10th.—Attended Seventh Masonic District Church service of dedication, St. Matthews Church, Brandon, Man.

November 11th.—Officially visited Elkhorn Lodge No. 74.

November 14th.—Officially visited Composite Lodge No. 64.

November 17th.—Attended Service of Witness, Civic Auditorium, Winnipeg, Man.

December 10th.—Attended joint Installation ceremony at Brandon and Installed Officers of Brandon Lodge No. 19, and Tweed Lodge No. 113.

December 27th.—Installed Officers of Lebanon Lodge No. 43.

January 20th, 1941.—Attended special meeting called by the Grand Master in Brandon, Man., re-organization of Campaign to raise $50,000.00 for the War Effort.

February 10th.—Unofficial visit to Elkhorn Lodge No. 74.

March 11th.—Unofficial visit to Lebanon Lodge No. 43 and assisted confer the 3rd Degree.

April 7th.—Unofficial visit to Elkhorn Lodge No. 74. Special re mortgage.

April 8th.—Unofficial visit to Lebanon Lodge No. 43.

April 9th.—Unofficial visit to Lansdowne Lodge No. 107, postponed until May 7th, account road conditions.

April 10th.—Unofficial visit to Oak Lake Lodge No. 44, called off on account of Lodge meeting cancelled, road conditions.

May 8th.—Unofficial visit to Composite Lodge No. 64.

May 13th.—Unofficial visit to Brandon Lodge No. 19.

Throughout the Seventh Masonic and Lodges outside that I had the pleasure of visiting I was most warmly received. I found the Lodges in my District in a healthy and vigorous condition. The officers are filling their offices in a most satisfactory manner. Although some Lodges have not been blessed with much degree work, the Officers and members are keeping a real interest in their lodge and lodge work. Special features of my Official visits, was the enthusiasm displayed at each meeting and also outstanding were visitations, both inter-lodge and from lodges outside the District.

I have enjoyed inter-visiting with the Fifth and Sixth Masonic Districts. These visits have proved especially interesting and profitable. On several occasions visits have been carried out with both these Districts.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT MEETING

The annual District Meeting was held in Virden, Manitoba, on September 27th, 1940.

This meeting proved to be an unqualified success, from a standpoint of attendance, enthusiasm and a wealth of material.

We were particularly pleased to have in attendance the following Grand Lodge Officers:

Most Worshipful, The Grand Master, Bro. J. J. Henderson
Most Worshipful ..... Bro. Harry Woods
Most Worshipful ..... Bro. Wm. Fenwick
Rt. Wor., The Grand Secretary, Bro. J. H. G. Russell
Rt. Wor., The Grand Chaplain ..... Bro. P. T. Pilkey
Rt. Wor., Junior Grand Deacon .. Bro. G. V. Henderson
Rt. Wor., Junior Grand Steward .. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick
Rt. Wor. Bro. Earl Draper, of the Sixth Masonic District

The afternoon session was taken up with general business of the District.

The visitors were welcomed by Wor. Bro. A. E. Higginbotham. Rt. Wor. Bro. J. R. Evans gave a very inspiring address on "Distinctions in Masonry."

The selection of a candidate for Nomination for D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year was then made.

The meeting then retired to the basement of St. Paul's United Church, where the ladies of Circle No. 3 served a very fine banquet. The room and the tables being very tastily decorated in Masonic Emblem and Colors.

A short programme of Toasts and Songs followed.

The evening session opened with the reception of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers.

Rt. Wor. Bro. Cooper, P.D.D.G.M., was presented with P.D.D.G.M. Apron and Jewel. The presentation was made by M.W. Bro. Wm. Fenwick.

In his characteristic, sincere and impressive manner the Most Worshipful the Grand Master addressed the Brethren on the subject "Character." This address left the Brethren fairly spell-bound and was enjoyed by all who were privileged to be present.

I wish to thank the Grand Master and all who contributed to making this meeting a most outstanding success.

We were also pleased to have our Grand Chaplain, Rt. Wor. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey with us and I also wish to thank him for his splendid address. It was indeed a very fine contribution.

Rt. Wor. Bro. J. H. G. Russell also spoke and as stated, his remarks were addressed more to the Secretaries of the Lodges. We wish to thank you, Bro. Russell, for your presence and remarks.

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods spoke on the Grand Lodge War Effort and also gave us a very enlightening address on the Grand Lodge Library. We thank you, Bro. Woods.

We were very pleased to have M.W. Bro. Fenwick, V.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson, V.W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick, R.W. Bro. Earl Draper, D.D.G.M., Sixth Masonic District, and R.W. Bro. Evans with us. I wish to take this opportunity of thanking R.W. Bro. Evans for his very fine address.

I want to especially mention the two Church Services we had during the year: November 10th, 1940, Seventh Masonic District Church service, which was held in St. Matthews Church, Brandon. The M.W. the Grand Master gave us a very fine and inspiring address.

November 17th, 1940: Service held in the Civic Auditorium, Winnipeg. This service of re-dedication for all Masons of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was certainly a most successful gathering. The Auditorium was crowded with Masons and the galleries filled with Masons' relatives. Rt. Wor. Bro. Rev. Calvert gave us a wonderful address. This service reminds me that during that week, you, Most Worshipful Sir, sustained the loss by death of your mother. The seventh Masonic District takes this opportunity once more of expressing to you our sincere sympathy.

The following appointments were made by me:

Chaplain ..Wor. Bro. L. J. Adams, Oak Lake Lodge.

District Secretary ..Bro. H. H. Allen, Lebanon Lodge.

The Fifty Thousand Dollar fund has been one of the outstanding aims of our District and Grand Lodge during the year. A very interesting meeting of the Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Masonic Districts was held in the Temple at Brandon on January 20th, 1941. May our Masonic effort be a real part in restoring peace in the world, and the firm establishing of democracy.

I feel that I have had a very full and successful year as D.D.G.M., and I want to say that I have enjoyed it to the fullest degree and profited personally by my many Official duties and visits. My one hope is, that I may have in some small degree given you, my Brethren, at least a part of the profit and pleasure that I have derived. May our Masonic friendships which I have tried to eulogize for you in my addresses, be enhanced.

In conclusion, I wish to express my thanks to the Brethren, of the Seventh Masonic District, for conferring upon me the high honor and distinction of the Office of D.D.G.M., and to you, Most Worshipful Master, in confirming my appointment, and further, Most Worshipful Sir, let me take this opportunity, of expressing to you, my grateful appreciation of the honor you have done me, in appointing me as Grand Lodge representative for the Grand Lodge of Michigan. I consider it a most distinguished honor to hold this office, vacated by our Beloved, the Late M.W. Bro. A. B. Baird.

I feel that the honor conferred on me by you, my Brethren of the Seventh Masonic District, has brought with it a wealth of Masonic experience. I am proud of the Seventh Masonic District and feel most grateful for the many kindnesses, co-operation and real Masonic fraternity that have been shown me in my Official capacity.

The experience of being your D.D.G.M. has brought to me many very pleasant memories and given me a large circle of new friends and enriched the circle of my many good friends in this District.

I especially want to mention Very Wor. Bro. Homuth, Wor. Bro. Timms and Bro. Allen, for the real fine way in which they have at all times helped and supported me and accompanied me during my many visitations. These Brethren have given me whole-hearted and unstinted support at all times on each of my visits.

To Bro. H. J. Allen, I owe a real debt of gratitude for the most efficient way he has performed his duties as District Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

O. S. ROSS, M.D.,
District Deputy Grand Master.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit the report of my stewardship as your repesentative in the Eighth Masonic District for the year that has just closed.

During the term an Official visit was made to each of the constituent Lodges in the District. Official visits were made to the Lodges in the District as follows:

King Solomon Lodge No. 8.....December 10th, 1940
Midlothian Lodge No. 90.....December 16th, 1940
Emerson Lodge No. 6.....December 19th, 1940
Carman Lodge No. 155.....February 18th, 1941

Shiloh Lodge No. 70.....March 13th, 1941
East Star Lodge No. 55.....May 1st, 1941
Penza Lodge No. 120.....May 6th, 1941
Patricia Lodge No. 125.....May 7th, 1941

Preceding each official visit I made a visit which was designed to meet the Brethren and make acquaintances. Other unofficial visits were made whenever possible. On each of these visits I was received with the respect and dignity due the office as your representative, and I can vouch from personal experience for the loyalty and devotion to you, Most Worshipful Sir, and the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The District Meeting was held in Roland on Tuesday, Sept. 13th, 1940. I wish to thank the Brethren for their attendance on that occasion. An interesting feature of the afternoon session was a report given by the Masters of the various constituent Lodges on the condition of the Lodge. These reports brought out many interesting facts and I am sure will prove helpful in solving many difficulties. The usual banquet followed the afternoon session at which toasts were given and responded to in a most capable manner. The evening session was duly opened and the Grand Master and his suite were introduced to the meeting by R.W. Bro. Arthur Cameron, Shiloh Lodge No. 70, after which they were accorded the Grand Honors. The Grand Master gave a very inspiring address on "Character." Those who listened to that address were moved by the sincerity of our Grand Master and the very masterly, logical and convincing manner in which it was delivered. Short addresses were given by those accompanying Grand Lodge Officers.

I wish to regretfully announce the death of Bro. George Skinner, Shiloh Lodge, on Nov. 1st, 1940; Bro. McDonald, King Solomon Lodge, on Dec. 16th, 1940, and R.W. Bro. John Arthur Martin, Patricia Lodge, Past District Deputy Grand Master of the Eighth Masonic District, on March 12th, 1941. These deceased Brethren were each accorded the beautiful Masonic graveside ceremony at their burial. In particular, I wish to mention the deep loss to the District of R.W. Bro. J. A. Martin. R.W. Bro. Martin was a man of high calibre and served well with a high and noble purpose the cause of Freemasonry.

The Service of Witness to which all members of the Masonic Fraternity were invited, was held in the Civic Auditorium at Winnipeg, on Sunday, November 17th, 1940. At this impressive service more than five thousand members of the fraternity attended and pledged themselves to the raising of $50,000.00 for

the Empire's War Effort. The Eighth Masonic District has borne its share of raising this sum of money to assist in the effort of Empire to gain control of the subversive forces that are running amuck.

On May 15th, 1941, Emerson Lodge No. 6 held an International night at which the chief speaker was the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota. This evening proved to be one of outstanding character and will be long remembered by those present from the forceful addresses that were delivered on that occasion.

All Lodges in the District are forging ahead on a sound basis, with the exception of Midlothian Lodge No. 90. A special report on the condition of this Lodge has been submitted. I have tried very hard to assist the Lodge overcome its difficulties, which in my opinion are not insurmountable. In my humble opinion the combined effort of the officers and members are required to make progress in any lodge and this particular case is no exception.

In closing I wish to thank my many friends and new aquaintances in the District for the help given during the year. The members of Shiloh Lodge have been of great assistance in accompanying me on my many visits, but I might mention the names of W. Bro. Geo. F. Cochrane, R.W. Bro. R. McKenzie and R.W. Bro. Arthur Cameron, who have particularly helped much. I would bespeak for my successor the same loyal support you have accorded me. knowing that it will help and uphold him in the same degree.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. C. McDONALD,
D.D.G.M., District No. 8

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor, as your representative during the past year in the office of District Deputy Grand Master, to submit my report on the Condition of Freemasonry in the Ninth District.

During my term of office I visited all the Lodges in the District officially as follows:

Vermillion No. 68.....September 3rd, 1940
Victory No. 128.....September 4th, 1940
Prince Arthur No. 104.....September 5th, 1940
Hiram No. 94.....October 19th, 1940
Favel No. 126.....October 1st, 1940
Jubilee No. 147.....October 2nd, 1940
Robbie Burns No. 100.....November 13th, 1940
Roblin No. 122.....April 14th, 1941
I have also visited most of the Lodges unofficially.

As your representative I was loyally received on all occasions.

The District Meeting was held in Dauphin on October 9th, 1940. All Lodges in the District were represented. The total number of Brethren on the register was 102.

W. Bro. J. E. Ramsden, Mayor of Dauphin, extended an address of welcome to the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers.

Discussions on several subjects took place.

Worshipful Masters present gave reports on the Condition of Freemasonry in their respective Lodges.

The meeting adjourned at 5 p.m. to attend a banquet in the Town Hall. Labor was resumed at 8.30 p.m.

The M.W. Grand Master gave a splendid address on "Character," the greatest human trait. This address was intently followed by all brethren present and most enthusiastically received.

Short addresses were given by R.W. Bro. Russell, Grand Sec.; M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, Librarian, and R.W. Bro. C. H. Bayfield, D.D.G.M. of the 5th Masonic District.

After the wonderful service held in the Auditorium, Winnipeg. I arranged two district services, one for the Northern Lodges, under the guidance of W. Bro. Hanley, and one for the Southern Lodges directed by our District Chaplain Bro. H. Dickson. Both services were well attended. It was a matter of sincere regret to me that owing to sickness I was unable to be at either of these services. Two Past D.D.G.M's, R. W. Bro. McFadden and R.W. Bro. Lamb, took my place and to them and Bros. Dickson and

Hanley, I am deeply grateful. I am pleased to be able to report that interest in Freemasonry is increasing in the District. I have stressed the need of study and the opportunity to do so extended by Grand Lodge through the Librarian.

The Lodges in the Ninth District are seventy-five per cent. really good, and while there is always room for improvement in all of them, the twenty-five per cent. can stand quite a lot of it.

May I in conclusion, express to the Grand Lodge Officers my sincerest thanks for the help they have given me whenever I needed it. And to my District Secretary, Bro. J. Connor, I owe a debt of gratitude for his untiring efforts during the year.

The office of D.D.G.M. calls for a lot of work, and I have tried to give the best service of which I am capable. It is my hope that I may to some small extent have contributed to the good of Freemasonry and the past year will always be one of the happiest years of my life.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN M. BATEMAN,
D.D.G.M., Ninth Masonic District.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I now submit to you my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Tenth Masonic District.

The District Meeting was held in St. Anne's Parish Hall, West Kildonan, on October 3rd, 1940, and it turned out to be one of the finest Occasions I have ever experienced—a real fellowship meeting.

The reception of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, who was accompanied by a goodly number of Grand Lodge Officers was impressive. In welcoming him I did not fail to remind him of the outstanding services he is rendering to Craft Masonry, and in the language of the poet, I said:

"You walk the path the great have trod,
The great in heart, the great in mind,
Who looked through Masonry to God,
And looked through God to all mankind
Found more than word or sign or grip,
Found man's and God's relationship.

And so, I say a sacred trust
Is yours to share, is yours to keep;
I hear the voice of men of dust,
I hear the step of men asleep;
And down the endless future, too,
Your own shall echo after you."

Our Most Worshipful Grand Master then delivered an able address, which in his inimitable and grand style, was enjoyed by all. It has indeed been a privilege and an honor to have served during his term of office.

The meeting then adjourned and repaired to the Auditorium Hall of the Centennial School, where a repast was held and a splendid programme enjoyed.

At the banquet hour R.W. Bro. Rev. Geo. R. Calvert, Deputy Grand Master, made a stirring appeal on behalf of the Masonic War Effort Fund.

My first visitation as District Deputy Grand Master was to Manitouwapa Lodge, where I assisted in the Ceremonies of Consecrating and Constituting this new Lodge.

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence acted as Grand Master and he was assisted by R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary; R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Chaplain; V.W. Bro. Joseph J. Lyon, Grand Organist. At the completion of the above ceremonials, M.W. Bro. Harry Woods installed their officers.

Manitouwapa Lodge, now No. 156, on the Grand Registry of Manitoba, is situated in Moosehorn, 124 miles from Winnipeg, and we were all agreeably surprised to find a splendid gravel road which parallels the railroad, Oak Point Branch, C.N.R., practically all the way.

I made official visits to the other Lodges as follows:
The Dormer No. 151.....October 1st, 1940
Seven Oaks No. 148.....November 8th, 1940
Stonewall No. 12.....November 19th, 1940
Lisgar No. 2.....January 21st, 1941

Transcona No. 123.....February 7th, 1941
Kildonan No. 131.....March 11th, 1941
Stony Mountain No. 134.....April 2nd, 1941
Ophir No. 112.....April 4th, 1941
Pine Falls No. 154.....April 11th, 1941

In all these visitations I was most cordially and heartily received and I assure you, Brethren, that I will always hold an everlasting remembrance of those pleasant occasions.

At these meetings I have been deeply impressed with the splendid spirit of earnestness that characterizes our membership and their pride in their Lodge affiliations. They exhibit on all occasions a proper spirit of rivalry and emulation and combined with this is such a marked feeling of loyalty that I am convinced that there is only needed a wise direction to secure noteworthy advancement in every line of endeavor.

I am led to wonder whether those Brethren to whom are entrusted the administration of Masonic affairs have always fully realized and utilized the latest forces for good that are at their command. The successful leader is not the only man who accomplishes great things himself, but the one who can inspire his associates with the proper appreciation of their responsibilities, the determination to take full advantage of their opportunities and a spirit of unselfish devotion that leads to co-operative work, the greatest force in the world today.

And above all, Brethren, there is throughout the District a splendid feeling of true fellowship and I am also pleased to report that there is an increasing tendency among the different Lodges to get together, particularly in the interchange of visits. This is especially to be recommended, as I believe fraternal visits, which bind us closer together, are productive of much good.

And as your representative, Most Worshipful Sir, I had a message on each occasion which I am sure would receive your endorsation and approbation. Messages which I might say in the eloquent language of one of my predecessors that, "I have gathered a posy of other men's flowers and naught but the thread that binds them is my own."

I spoke to them about the Functions of Fraternalism, stressing the fact that the primary function of fraternalism is to bring men together so that they may enjoy each other's society and gain mutual benefit; and that today, to my mind, it is even more pronounced than ever before. And then again I reminded them that the enduring power of Fraternalism lies in the fact that it affords an opportunity of making friends.

What is a friend? He is a person with whom you dare to be yourself. He asks of you to assume nothing, hide nothing, only to be what you are.

With a friend, you do not have to be on your guard. You can say what you think, express what you feel. With him you breathe freely. You can take off your coat and loosen your collar. You can reveal your little vanities and your hobbies, your likes and dislikes, and in disclosing them to him they are lost, swallowed up, in the ocean of his loyalty.

With a friend you do not have to be careful; he understands. He is like fire, that purifies all you do. He is like water, that cleanses all you say. He is like wine, that warms you to the bone.

In true friendship, there must be both give and take. Patience and forbearance are its essential characteristics. We should not ask too much if we expect to keep a friendship, and most of all, we must be ready to give ourselves, at our very best, to meet the needs and expectations of our friends.

"Tis the human touch in this world that counts,
The touch of your hand and mine,
Which means far more to the fainting heart,
Than shelter and bread and wine.
For the shelter is gone when the night is o'er,
And bread lasts only a day;
But the touch of the hand and the Sound of the voice
Sing of the Soul always."

I afterwards spoke on other subjects: "The Volume of the Sacred Law," the greatest Ancient Landmark in Freemasonry, also on "Our Old Masons and their going on in service and finally going home," reminding them that no man of mature years has a 100-year lease on life.

And finally, and I trust that I may be pardoned if some reference is made to the World conditions which take premier position in our thoughts at this time and concerning which I spoke before a number of our Lodges.

In the panorama of events things have happened which a couple of years ago we had hoped would be averted. Once again we are at war, with its consequent trail of sorrow and hardship—once again the march of armed men—the rumble of artillery and the roar of aircraft falls upon the ears of war-stricken Europe. Oh! the tragedy of it all. Yet we in Canada, as a

definite part of that great champion of liberty and right—The British Empire—realize that if democratic institutions are to survive, if religious liberty—and the right of self-government is to be preserved—we must take our place among those who seek to stem the tide of dictatorism and bestial brutality. With sordid thoughts of war uppermost in our hearts and minds we face the future serene in the hope that Almighty God, who has been an ever present shield and bulwark in our time of need, may continue to lead us on and guide our footsteps into that pathway which ultimately will bring order out of chaos—restore peace and happiness to a troubled world and bring all mankind into a garden of love—where strife and bloodshed shall be unknown.

And ever the question arises
As portentious signs we trace,
What will the final outcome be
And what the saving grace?
And Masonry makes answer
With its all-sufficient plan:
The Fatherhood of God
And the Brotherhood of Man.

In conclusion I want to thank you for the honor, which you conferred upon me just about a year ago today, in appointing me as your District Deputy Grand Master, and I trust that I have in some small degree been worthy of the trust reposed in me by "something attempted, something done," and service heartily, if imperfectly rendered, to the Craft.

I also desire to thank the members of Seven Oaks Lodge, who accompanied me on my official visits, more especially my District Secretary, W. Bro. A. C. Pritchard, who was present on all occasions and gave valuable and sound advice.

I am sure that at this time I can say that the outstanding feature, in our Lodges and throughout its membership, is the fine spirit that exists throughout the whole District, and I believe that this is due to, more than all else, an earnest desire on the part of our Brethren for true fellowship, and that in this endeavor there is a realization of the real value of maintaining a perfect understanding, one with another, and finally, Brethren, may this happy condition continue for all time to come.

Fraternally submitted,

F. W. BROWNELL,
D.D.G.M., Tenth Masonic District.

TWELFTH MASONIC LODGE

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor of presenting to you a report of my stewardship as your D.D.G.M. of the Twelfth Masonic District.

During my term of office I have visited officially each Lodge in the District. I was received on each occasion with dignity and respect, and accorded the honors due to my office of D.D.G.M.

Owing to lack of candidates I found it necessary to re-visit a few Lodges in order that I might witness the exemplification of some degree work in accordance with your expressed wish.

In most Lodges visited the Degree work presented was of a high standard, the Masters and Wardens being well skilled, and, also, of having been fortunate enough to have had the assistance of Past Masters who were anxious and willing to prepare Junior Officers for leadership in the Craft, for the benefit of their Lodge, and the good of Freemasonry in general. Great credit is due to these brethren who have given of their time and talent in the preparation of the Junior Officers for advancement towards the East.

In other Lodges visited I found the Masters and Wardens functioning in a satisfactory manner but the Junior Officers do not seem to have had sufficient guidance and instruction to prepare them for possible promotion towards the East.

The Junior Officers have the right to expect guidance, and instruction from the Master, who, in turn, has the right to demand of the Junior Officer, that he become efficient in the work of the Lodge, and demonstrate that he is qualified to perform the duties of his office, and in due course become capable of assuming the responsibilities of advancement.

It is very unusual for an indifferent Junior Officer to become an efficient Warden or Master. If the work before the Lodge is presented in an indifferent and careless manner, the members will lose interest and a falling off in attendance may be the result. The Master should make it his duty to see that these conditions do not develop in his Lodge.

It has been my earnest desire to perform the duties of my office in a fair but sympathetic manner, and when necessary, make suggestions where some improvement might be made for the better functioning of the Lodge, and a more efficient performance of the allotted tasks assigned to any Lodge member.

The warmth of the reception, and the courteous manner in which I was received into each Lodge visited was largely a tribute of sincere regard and affection to you M.W. Sir; and an expression of loyalty from the members of the Twelfth Masonic District, through your D.D.G.M.

The sitting Masters, and P.M.'s of the District suported me on the occasion of each visit, these brethren have given of their time and talent and have been of great assistance to me throughout the year, and at this time I wish to thank them in all sincerity, for what they have done, and for their loyalty to me during my term of office.

There are some men in our membership who do not take an interest in memorizing and, therefore, they do not have a sustained interest in the activities of the Lodge. This condition might be adjusted if each Lodge were to inaugurate a class where the study of the Book of Constitution could be taken up and discussed, or a class where the members might get together for instruction on the opening and closing of a Lodge, and the practice of what might be termed, "the work in the Chairs", these suggestions have been of great interest in some Lodges, especially to the Junior Officers.

I wish to express my thanks to the District Officers Wor. Bro. A. E. Duff, Secretary, Wor. Bro. N. Rothstein, Treasurer, and Wor. Bro. A. Huddlestone, who have so ably supported me on my official visits, men who never failed me in the performance of their allotted tasks.

It is gratifying to report that I found the Craft throughout the District to be in a healthy condition and living up to the precepts, principles and teachings of the fraternity. There has been a slight increase in membership this year, and it is encouraging to note the friendly feeling that has been developed among the brethren. There is also a desire for more interlodge visitations than we have been having in the past. This aspect of our work is one that has great possibilities for the Craft and should be developed among the brethren in every District.

Last year when I was elected to the high office of District Deputy Grand Master, a very great honor was conferred upon me, and at the close of my term of office, I take this opportunity of

thanking you in all sincerity for the honor conferred, and for the great priviledge that has been mine throughout the Masonic year and to express the hope that my stewardship has proved worthy of the confidence that was placed in me by the members of the Twelfth Masonic District.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, I would like to express my thanks to you for confirming my election to this high office.

This evening recalls to my mind words from a beautiful poem: "When you come to the end of a perfect day, and you sit alone with your thoughts."

It is with these words in mind, that I would like to express my thanks as I vacate the high office, which I have had the honor to occupy during this Masonic year.

To me it has been a year of education, inspiration, and pleasure; a year that I will long remember, and when I sit alone with my thoughts, nothing shall efface the memories of the friendships which I have made during my visitations as your D.D.G.M.

Fraternally submitted,

ALF. PHILLIPS,
D.D.G.M. Twelfth Masonic District.

LODGES

The Pas ..... No. 124
Sprague ..... No. 132
Flin Flon ..... No. 153

Under direct supervision of the Grand Master.

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

This part of the report might very well be dispensed with, as it would appear that the Grand Master was reporting to himself. However, I am putting down a short report in order that it may be available for the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, thus making the Jurisdiction complete.

I have nothing to add to what I put down on form 21 so that what is incorporated here is more by way of consolidating the report of the three Lodges under the supervision of the Grand Master.

It was most fortunate for me that I opened my tour of the Jurisdiction at Flin Flon, because I know of no place where a Grand Master will get quite the same degree of encouragement and inspiration for his year's work, than just in this northern outpost. This Lodge is blessed with an intelligent, energetic membership. A large percentage of the membership are young men which supplies the Lodge with an abundance of energy. They have their own Lodge building. It is well furnished, convenient and has good anti-room, cloak room, secretary's quarters, etc. The Secretary can very well be classed with the best in the Jurisdiction. Masonry is really alive in Flin Flon. The hospitality is overwhelming and so genuine that one couples the word "hospitality" ever after with the name Flin Flon. It is a real pleasure to report on such a Lodge because on top of all this, their work was as nearly faultless as one would find anywhere. I witnessed the E.A. Degree.

What has been said in the foregoing may very well be applied to The Pas No. 124. No degree work witnessed here but opening and closing showed thoroughness and attention to detail. My visit here was made doubly pleasant by the presence of P.G.M. Most Wor. Bro. N. J. Black. This Lodge too, has an exceptionally good Secretary. In both, the Historical Register was kept in good shape and practically up to date. All accounts properly kept and recorded and money deposited in Chartered Bank. The north country will always remain as one of the very bright spots in my travels as Grand Master.

Sprague No. 132. This Lodge is so far removed from other Lodges that they have very little opportunity for fraternal intercourse with any other Lodge and they have a very small resident membership. This does not promote efficiency. With the one good industry, that this place once supported, gone, one wonders just how long this Lodge can carry on. The work is not what it should be, but the spirit of Freemasonry seemed to be just as true as elsewhere. The Secretary was exceptionally good and the whole Lodge seemed to depend very much upon him. The evening I visited, letters were read from two families expressing most sincere thanks for flowers and for assistance given by the Lodge at a time of bereavement.

Here, as elsewhere, the ladies seemed happy to provide a banquet, and to stay up until a late hour to serve. When speaking to the Lodge, I refrained from offering any criticism of the work.

They were delighted to have a visit from the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge Officers accompanying him, but they were (many of them at least) very nervous in the performance of their duties. To have offered any criticism under the conditions, I felt would have done harm rather than good, so I had a talk with some of the leading officers after the Lodge was closed and drew attention to the things I believed would be helpful to their Lodge if they would correct them.

The spirit of Freemasonry is a very real thing to this small community and I hope they may be able to carry on indefinitely. I would suggest that some of the Lodges in the Eighth Masonic District might be induced, might even be very glad, to pay a visit some time during the summer months. I believe some of the Emerson brethren do visit occasionally but a visit once in a while in force would be very helpful, and would, I know, be enjoyed. I was delighted to see a goodly number of brethren from across the line in attendance on the evening we visited. They seemed to enjoy the evening very much and from what I could gather, this visiting across the line is pretty much the extent of the visiting in this section. The fellowship is splendid but the difference in the work practiced on either side of the border does not make these visits of any value in so far as keeping the work in line is concerned. For this reason I recommend an effort being made to have one of the Lodges of the Eighth Masonic District visit them each year with the object of assisting them in bringing their work up to date. A demonstration of opening and closing and if possible of a degree, would, I believe, be very helpful. It is a long drive from Winnipeg to Sprague and return but I consider it was very much worth while.

Books well kept. Historical register up to date. The Secretary at the time I visited was a collector of customs. He took real pride in his work and there is nothing like a good Secretary to keep life in any organization.

Fraternally submitted,

J. J. HENDERSON,
Grand Master.

In Memoriam

DEDICATED

TO

THE DISTINGUISHED DEAD OF

SISTER

GRAND LODGES

1940

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY

OF

Andrew Browning Baird

D.D.

Initiated into Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1 A.F. & A.M., Winnipeg, Manitoba, June 21st, 1898; Passed August 16th, 1898; Raised November 15th, 1898. Master of Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1 in 1902-1903.

Grand Chaplain 1900-1902

Grand Master 1922-1923

Born in	Died in
Perth Co., Ontario	Winnipeg, Manitoba
October 6th, 1855	September 22nd, 1940

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY

OF

Peter E. Scott, D.D.

Grand Chaplain, 1914

DIED

August 21st, 1940

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Arnold M. Smith

District Deputy Grand Master, 1930

DIED

July 12th, 1940

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Joseph A. Morris

District Deputy Grand Master, 1938

DIED

August 21st, 1940

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

William W. Stirling

District Deputy Grand Master, 1909

DIED

December 5th, 1940

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Dr. John A. Martin

District Deputy Grand Master, 1936

DIED

March 19th, 1941

SACRED TO THE MEMORY

OF THE

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOUR

BRETHREN

OF THE SIXTY LODGES

OF THIS GRAND JURISDICTION

WHOSE DEATHS

HAVE BEEN REPORTED DURING THE

MASONIC YEAR

ENDING

DECEMBER 31st, 1940

IN MEMORY

OF THE BELOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE

At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Davies, J. E. H.....	Feb. 12th, 1940	Prince Rupert's ...	1
Green, W. H.	April 18th, 1940	Prince Rupert's ...	1
Pratt, L. W.	May 2nd, 1940	Prince Rupert's ...	1
Hodgins, Eli.	May 4th, 1940	Prince Rupert's ...	1
Ledingham, Wm.	June 2nd, 1940	Prince Rupert's ...	1
Lewis, W. H.	Sept. 12th, 1940	Prince Rupert's ...	1
Baird, Rev. A. B.....	Sept. 22nd, 1940	Prince Rupert's ...	1
Bean, S. S.	Sept. 28th, 1940	Prince Rupert's ...	1
McKinnon, P. D.....	Nov. 19th, 1940	Prince Rupert's ...	1
Barker, H.	June 1st, 1940	Lisgar	2
Harris, F. W.	Jan. 13th, 1940	Ancient Landmark .	3
Lane, Chas.....	April 19th, 1940	Ancient Landmark .	3
Sprague, T. G.	Aug. 19th, 1940	Ancient Landmark .	3
Leach, P. H.	Aug. 26th, 1940	Ancient Landmark .	3
English, E. D.	Jan. 2nd, 1940	St. John's	4
Easterbrook, W. J. ..	Jan. 12th, 1940	St. John's	4
Coltart, J.	Jan. 23rd, 1940	St. John's	4
Welford, H.	March 4th, 1940	St. John's	4
Horner, Wm.	Mar. 17th, 1940	St. John's	4
McDiarmid, E. A.....	April 5th, 1940	St. John's	4
Kneebone, T. J.	May 26th, 1940	St. John's	4
Mundell, W. J.	July 17th, 1940	St. John's	4
Matheson, Wm.	Aug. 3rd, 1940	St. John's	4
Burnett, G. R.....	Aug. 15th, 1940	St. John's	4
Cochrane, Jas.	Oct. 12th, 1940	St. John's	4
Drake, S.	Dec. 1940	St. John's	4
Burnie, I.	Dec. 24th, 1940	St. John's	4
Drewry, E. L.	Nov. 2nd, 1940	Emerson	6
Hulme, G. R.	Nov. 8th, 1940	Emerson	6
Taylor, F. G.....	Jan. 2nd, 1940	Assiniboine	7
Merrill, W. J.	Jan. 30th, 1940	Assiniboine	7
Burk, D. E.	July 14th, 1940	Assiniboine	7
Scott, P. E.	Aug. 21st, 1940	Assiniboine	7
McCartney, T. W.....	Sept. 1st, 1940	Assiniboine	7
Woolridge, C. P.....	Dec. 17th, 1940	Assiniboine	7

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OF THE BELOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE

At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Churchill, J.	Mar. 14th, 1940	King Solomon	8
Collins, R. C. T.	Aug. 4th, 1940	King Solomon	8
Donald, Wm.	Dec. 16th, 1940	King Solomon	8
Quinn, J. W.	Jan. 16th, 1940	Northern Light	10
Love, R. S.	May 16th, 1940	Northern Light	10
Fitzpatrick, E. A.	June 6th, 1940	Northern Light	10
Stewart, D. D.	Aug. 17th, 1940	Northern Light	10
Smith, M. A.	Oct. 9th, 1940	Northern Light	10
Riley, H. E.	Oct. 18th, 1940	Northern Light	10
King, W. C.	Dec. 18th, 1940	Northern Light	10
Wilson, J. H.	Sept. 7th, 1940	Gladstone	11
Winn, H. J.	Dec. 1st, 1940	Gladstone	11
McLellan, F. H.	Sept. 3rd, 1940	Stonewall	12
Vincent, G.	Sept. 5th, 1940	Stonewall	12
McLeod, A. N.	Oct. 4th, 1940	Stonewall	12
McLaren, Jas.	Sept. 1st, 1940	Prince of Wales	14
Ward, E. S.	Nov. 22nd, 1940	Prince of Wales	14
Duncan, P. C.	Feb. 19th, 1940	Brandon	19
Adolph, H. L.	Feb. 25th, 1940	Brandon	19
Young, Jas.	Mar. 14th, 1940	Brandon	19
Coxe, S. A.	May 20th, 1940	Brandon	19
Reesor, D. A.	Sept. 30th, 1940	Brandon	19
Jardine, T. T.	Nov. 1st, 1940	Brandon	19
Wankling, J. A.	Dec. 18th, 1940	Brandon	19
Baynton, R. E.	Dec. 23rd, 1940	Brandon	19
Ashby, A.	Feb. 15th, 1940	Neepawa	24
Scott, H. A. J.	Nov. 18th, 1940	Neepawa	24
Dallas, R. J.	Feb. 27th, 1940	Ionic	25
McNeil, J.	Mar. 3rd, 1940	Ionic	25
Lawrence, G. A.	Mar. 17th, 1940	Ionic	25
Lynch, G. G.	April 6th, 1940	Ionic	25
Allan, J.	May 15th, 1940	Ionic	25
Craig, J.	May 23rd, 1940	Ionic	25
Barnes, J. W.	Aug. 29th, 1940	Ionic	25
Eaton, R.	Sept. 2nd, 1940	Ionic	25

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OF THE BELOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE

At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Brock, Wm.	Sept. 4th, 1940	Ionic	25
Barnett, W. A.	Sept. 5th, 1940	Ionic	25
Buchanan, H. H.	Sept. 29th, 1940	Ionic	25
McCartney, W. J.	Dec. 5th, 1940	Ionic	25
Singleton, H. R.	Dec. 27th, 1940	Ionic	25
McKellar, M.	Aug. 7th, 1940	Glenwood	27
Freeland, G. J.	Feb. 10th, 1940	Carberry	29
McAvoy, W. P.	June 27th, 1940	Doric	36
Jones, O.	Aug. 14th, 1940	Doric	36
Willson, Wm.	Nov. 3rd, 1940	Doric	36
LeDain, E. J.	Nov. 7th, 1940	Doric	36
Schmause, H. W.	April 4th, 1940	Deloraine	40
Yewdall, J.	July 13th, 1940	Lebanon	43
Stirling, R. W.	Dec. 5th, 1940	Lebanon	43
Lesurf, E. H.	Mar. 15th, 1940	Oak Lake	44
Hicks, H. E.	Feb. 17th, 1940	Oak Lake	44
McBride, G. H.	Feb. 10th, 1940	Glenboro	48
Lyall, Wm.	June 26th, 1940	Glenboro	48
Merrick, J. B.	Aug. 20th, 1940	Temple	49
Hay, A.	Dec. 25th, 1940	Temple	49
Cockriell, J.	Mar. 16th, 1940	Killarney	50
Bowman, G. A.	Nov. 27th, 1940	Treherne	51
Storey, D. W.	Feb. 18th, 1940	Hartney	52
Hill, W. H. B.	April 17th, 1940	Hartney	52
Leitch, A.	June 5th, 1940	Composite	64
Howat, Wm.	June 15th, 1940	Composite	64
Roberts, D. T.	June 19th, 1940	Composite	64
Hill, J.	Aug. 29th, 1940	Composite	64
Leitch, P. M.	Nov. 22nd, 1940	Composite	64
Ross, Wm.	June 2nd, 1940	Vermillion	68
Clifton, A. L.	June 21st, 1940	Vermillion	68
McDonald, J.	Sept. 25th, 1940	Vermillion	68
Widmeyer, E.	Nov. 4th, 1940	Vermillion	68
Skinner, Geo.	Nov. 1st, 1940	Shiloh	70
Cryderman, W. N.	July 19th, 1940	Elkhorn	74

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At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Morris, J. A.	Aug. 21st, 1940	Gothic	75
Hay, Jas.	Sept. 5th, 1940	Gothic	75
Thomas, H.	Sept. 7th, 1940	Gothic	75
Cornock, W. B.	July 3rd, 1940	Cypress	82
Wellwood, A.	Sept. 19th, 1940	Cypress	82
Gillam, W. B.	Oct. 18th, 1940	Cypress	82
Macmillan, J. M.	Nov. 3rd, 1940	Hamiota	84
Maguire, S. R.	July 25th, 1940	Elgin	86
Sterling, W. W.	Dec. 5th, 1940	Elgin	86
Smith, E. H.	April 21st, 1940	Shoal Lake	92
Dobbs, F.	Dec. 29th, 1940	Shoal Lake	92
Gardiner, J.	Mar. 6th, 1940	King Edward	93
Tingley, R. L.	May 2nd, 1940	King Edward	93
Smith, D. G.	Aug. 1940	King Edward	93
Daintry, F.	Oct. 2nd, 1940	King Edward	93
Campbell, J. M.	Oct. 27th, 1940	King Edward	93
Shepherd, J.	Dec. 2nd, 1940	King Edward	93
Shean, W. A.	Dec. 29th, 1940	Miniota	102
Channell, A. T.	Oct. 6th, 1940	Crescent	103
Walls, J. V.	May 31st, 1940	Reston	104
Easson, R. M.	Sept. 18th, 1940	Strathclair	106
King, G. W.	Nov. 4th, 1940	Union	108
Wood, C.	Jan. 10th, 1940	Acacia	111
Glass, R. A.	May 16th, 1940	Acacia	111
Gilchrist, E. G.	July 29th, 1940	Acacia	111
Bird, G. H.	Sept. 9th, 1940	Acacia	111
Gray, F.	Nov. 27th, 1940	Acacia	111
Maley, E. M.	Jan. 8th, 1940	Tweed	113
Robertson, W. A.	June 16th, 1940	Tweed	113
McFarlane, R.	Oct. 3rd, 1940	Tweed	113
Wheeler, R. D.	Jan. 29th, 1940	"The Assiniboine"	114
Rackham, W. C.	July 26th, 1940	"The Assiniboine"	114
Cook, J. M.	Sept. 16th, 1940	"The Assiniboine"	114
Marshall, J. F. J.	Nov. 23rd, 1940	"The Assiniboine"	114
Perry, W. T.	Nov. 25th, 1940	"The Assiniboine"	114

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OF THE BELOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Dobbyn, S.	Dec. 2nd, 1940	St. Andrew's	116
Goodbrand, G.	Dec. 26th, 1940	Strathcona	118
Berlon, E. A.	Feb. 1st, 1940	Norwood	119
Carson, S.	Oct. 15th, 1940	Norwood	119
McDonald, J.	Dec. 28th, 1940	Norwood	119
Wood, T. H.	May 5th, 1940	St. James	121
Willard, F. J.	Dec. 28th, 1940	St. James	121
Enberg, S.	Sept. 28th, 1940	Transcona	123
Smith, A.	July 12th, 1940	Fort Garry	130
Aikman, G.	Dec. 8th, 1940	Kildonan	131
Douglas, J. A.	July 24th, 1940	Stony Mountain	134
Goddard, C. A.	May 31st, 1940	Capitol	136
McBeth G. A.	Sept. 4th, 1940	Capitol	136
McPherson, W. C.	Oct. 18th, 1940	Capitol	136
Barr, M.	Aug. 13th, 1940	Windsor	138
Hulme, A.	Nov. 26th, 1940	Windsor	138
Kilgour, F. T.	Feb. 9th, 1940	Meridian	140
Webb. J.	Feb. 29th, 1940	Meridian	140
Greenfield, J. H.	Mar. 24th, 1940	Meridian	140
Wood, R.	Aug. 12th, 1940	Meridian	140
Junor, A.	Oct. 15th, 1940	Tuscan	141
Zilz, C. W.	Feb. 1st, 1940	Mt. Sinai	143
Phillips, T. L.	Feb. 7th, 1940	Fidelity	146
Malone, R. S.	Dec. 21st, 1940	Cartwright	150
Lyons, A. J.	Mar. 26th, 1940	The Dormer	151
Hornley, L. L.	Mar. 28th, 1940	The Dormer	151
Winslade, H.	May 3rd, 1940	The Dormer	151
Mullineaux, E. R.	May 12th, 1940	The Dormer	151
Beavis, H. G.	June 7th, 1940	The Dormer	151
Ross, J.	Dec. 15th, 1940	The Dormer	151

DEMITTED

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Eaket, J. A.	Dec. 18th, 1940	Prince Rupert's	1
Marshall, A. R.	Jan. 15th, 1940	Ancient Landmark.	3
Thomson, J. H.	Oct. 24th, 1940	Ancient Landmark.	3
Fordyce, G. C.	Nov. 18th, 1940	Ancient Landmark.	3
Reinoehl, G. W.	Dec. 4th, 1940	St. John's	4
McLean, J.	Dec. 4th, 1940	St. John's	4
Farrell, R.	Sept. 16th, 1940	Assiniboine	7
McKay, W. A.	Sept. 16th, 1940	Assiniboine	7
Aikens, A.	Oct. 8th, 1940	King Solomon	8
Douglas, G. B.	June 16th, 1940	Northern Light	10
Walker, A. M.	Nov. 10th, 1940	Stonewall	12
Else, J. W.	Dec. 17th, 1940	Stonewall	12
Forshaw, A. H.	Jan. 19th, 1940	Brandon	19
Innes, D. A.	Jan. 19th, 1940	Brandon	19
McKenzie, D. G.	Feb. 13th, 1940	Brandon	19
Ward, H.	Dec. 10th, 1940	Brandon	19
Cruikshank, Rev. J. W.	June 11th, 1940	Neepawa	24
Edward, W. H.	July 1st, 1940	Neepawa	24
Virtue, R. A.	Oct. 16th, 1940	Neepawa	24
Yarnell, R. H.	Mar. 3rd, 1940	Ionic	25
Barnes, L. T.	Dec. 31st, 1940	Ionic	25
Schwartz, H.	Dec. 31st, 1940	Glenwood	27
Trotter, H. A.	Mar. 19th, 1940	Carberry	29
Scott, F.	Jan. 2nd, 1940	Manitou	30
Curll, G. O.	July 23rd, 1940	Doric	36
Noton, A. C.	Dec. 27th, 1940	Doric	36
Beirnes, W. G.	Jan. 23rd, 1940	Birtle	39
Hamilton, A.	Jan. 3rd, 1940	Deloraine	40
Hainsworth, P. W.	Feb. 7th, 1940	Deloraine	40
Cameron, W. C.	Feb. 20th, 1940	Lebanon	43
Knight, J. M.	Jan. 18th, 1940	Oak Lake	44
Creighton, R. M.	April 18th, 1940	Oak Lake	44
Allan, J.	Dec. 31st, 1940	Oak Lake	44
Patterson, D. A.	Dec. 31st, 1940	Oak Lake	44
Brown, S.	Dec. 17th, 1940	Temple	49
Havelock, C. W.	Nov. 18th, 1940	Killarney	50
Burrows, C. J.	Dec. 16th, 1940	Killarney	50
Foster, D. C.	Dec. 16th, 1940	Killarney	50
Brown, H. R.	Dec. 13th, 1940	Treherne	51
Milne, Geo.	Dec. 31st, 1940	Hartney	52

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Perry, R. R.	Dec. 30th, 1940	Hartney	52
Pope, G. A.	Dec. 6th, 1940	Oriental	54
Wallace, H. B.	Dec. 10th, 1940	Russell	62
Maxwell, L.	Oct. 9th, 1940	Holland	63
Blair, T.	March 1940	Composite	64
Bowman, J. M.	Feb. 22nd, 1940	Composite	64
Jansen, L. C.	Feb. 22nd, 1940	Composite	64
Hemmons, H. E.	Nov. 25th, 1940	Wawanesa	67
Bay, Max.	Feb. 6th, 1940	Vermillion	68
Judson, A. R.	Feb. 6th, 1940	Vermillion	68
McLean, S. L.	Dec. 3rd, 1940	Vermillion	68
Waldo, N. M.	Dec. 31st, 1940	Vermillion	68
Slater, L. A.	Dec. 31st, 1940	Napinka	77
Barnett, T. D.	Nov. 26th, 1940	Hamiota	84
Dennison, T.	Nov. 18th, 1940	Midlothian	90
McIntyre, D. S.	Dec. 16th, 1940	Midlothian	90
Morrison, W.	Oct. 28th, 1940	Shoal Lake	92
Selby, M. D.	Jan. 17th, 1940	King Edward	93
Steuart, C. C.	Jan. 17th, 1940	King Edward	93
Millar, J. H.	May 15th, 1940	King Edward	93
Morison, J. E.	Sept. 11th, 1940	Robbie Burns	100
Porter, W. J.	Dec. 11th, 1940	Robbie Burns	100
Watts, W. M.	May 15th, 1940	Crescent	103
Lawson, J. H.	Jan. 4th, 1940	Prince Arthur	105
Gilbart, A. W.	Jan. 22nd, 1940	Strathclair	106
King, Wm.	Dec. 18th, 1940	Swan Lake	109
Hodges, J. T.	Jan. 10th, 1940	Acacia	111
Smyth, J.	Mar. 13th, 1940	Acacia	111
Arnason, I. G.	Dec. 11th, 1940	Acacia	111
Nymark, P. C.	Aug. 2nd, 1940	Ophir	112
Gilpin, G. E.	Sept. 17th, 1940	Tweed	113
Hurd, W. B.	Oct. 15th, 1940	Tweed	113
Downey, J.	Dec. 17th, 1940	Tweed	113
Pike, Ed.	Dec. 17th, 1940	Tweed	113
Russell, P. M.	Dec. 17th, 1940	Tweed	113
Strachan, C. L.	Dec. 17th, 1940	Tweed	113
Kerr, A. E.	Mar. 5th, 1940	"The Assiniboine"	114
Phillips, A. E.	Mar. 5th, 1940	"The Assiniboine"	114
Wintemute, P. A.	Oct. 2nd, 1940	"The Assiniboine"	114
Emery, A. F.	Dec. 4th, 1940	"The Assiniboine"	114

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Lawrence, R. M.	Dec. 31st, 1940	"The Assiniboine"	114
Tod, W. D.	Dec. 31st, 1940	"The Assiniboine"	114
Walker, R.	Dec. 31st, 1940	"The Assiniboine"	114
Jay, L. M.	Jan. 29th, 1940	Rivers	115
Freeborn, T. A.	April 15th, 1940	Rivers	115
Hall, F. J.	Nov. 21st, 1940	Mound	118
Beadle, S. C.	Feb. 8th, 1940	Norwood	119
East, R. J.	May 9th, 1940	Norwood	119
Freeman, A. M.	May 9th, 1940	Norwood	119
Powers, R. J.	May 9th, 1940	Norwood	119
Duncan, J. B.	Sept. 12th, 1940	Norwood	119
Lang, W. G.	Dec. 12th, 1940	Norwood	119
Beech, G. M.	Nov. 26th, 1940	Penza	120
Collins, T. J.	Dec. 11th, 1940	St. James	121
Shead, Geo.	Jan. 10th, 1941	St. James	121
Day, A. A.	May 1st, 1940	The Pas	124
Charles, J. L.	Dec. 4th, 1940	The Pas	124
Morrow, M.	Mar. 11th, 1940	Empire	127
Walker, Rev. A.	Sept. 9th, 1940	Empire	127
Colville, S.	Nov. 25th, 1940	Empire	127
Davies, Geo.	Dec. 31st, 1940	Empire	127
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1875	*Rev. W. C. Clarke	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*John H. Bell	*H. T. Champion	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1876	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*G. F. Newcomb	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Jno. W. Harris	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1877	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jas Henderson	*Jno. W. Harris	*E. G. Conklin	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson
1878	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*F. T. Bradley	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1879	Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*R. McCuaig	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*James Munroe	*Rev. James Flett
1880	*John H. Bell	*E. G. Conklin	*Hon. G. McMicken	*J. M. McGregor	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	†D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1881	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. B. Murray	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston	*Jas. Henderson	†D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1882	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*Alfred Pearson	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston		†D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1883	*John H. Bell	*D. B. Murray	*R McCuaig	†John Smith	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. Young	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1884	*John H. Bell	*C. F. Forrest	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood	†N. J. Lindsay	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	†Wm. Simpson	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1885	*C. F. Forrest	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	†Thos. Colins	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood
1886	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	*J. W. H. Wilson	*J. K. Brydon	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. G. Bell	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1887	*Thomas Clark	†John A. Kerr	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Jas. S. Greig	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1888	*Thomas Clark	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	R. C. Brown	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Joseph Daniel	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1889	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara	*Wm. G. Bell	*Thos. L. Morton	†Thos. McPherson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James A. Payne	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1890	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	†Thos. McPherson	Fred L. Newman	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†R. W. Woodroofe	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1891	*Wm. G. Bell	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rich'd D. Foley	*John Leslie	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James G. Dagg	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1892	*J. W. H. Wilson	*D. J. Goggin	†F. G. Lewin	*Thos. Robinson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. A. Windatt	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1893	*D. J. Goggin	*Thos. Robinson	*Thomas Tweed	*Corbet Locke	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. H. Munson	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1894	*Thomas Tweed	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*Hugh U. Bain	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Rev. A. W. F. Cooper	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1895	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*John Leslie	*Geo. B. Murphy	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*John Chambers	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado

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1896	*Corbet Locke ...	*John Leslie	Fred L. Newman.	†F. T. English...	*John McKechnie .	*Wm. G. Scott....	†C. N. Mitchell...	Rev. J. W. Matheson
1897	*Thomas Robinson	*Geo. B. Murphy .	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	†Wm. Crawford . .	*John McKechnie .	*Wm. G. Scott....	*J. O. Smith.....	*Rev. A. Chisholm
1898	*Geo. B. Murphy.	*H. J. Eberts.....	*R. S. Thornton .	*Wm. A. Windatt.	*John McKechnie .	*Wm. G. Scott....	†Edgar W. Rugg..	†Rev. C. R. Littler
1899	*John Leslie	*R. S. Thornton..	*W. A. Windatt...	*S. B. Jamieson...	*John McKechnie .	*Wm. G. Scott....	†J. A. Sutherland.	†Rev. J. W. Muirhead
1900	*R. S. Thornton..	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	Wm. Fenwick . .	*R. Hill Myers..	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	†E. A. Braithwaite.	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1901	*R. S. Thornton..	*R. Hill Myers....	†E. A. Braithwaite.	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	*James M. Suttie..	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1902	*R. Hill Myers...	†E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm.	*Geo. W. Baker..	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	†Geo. H. Webster..	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1903	†E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott...	†H. H. Campkin...	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	*R. P. Crookshank.	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1904	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott...	†H. H. Campkin...	†James Scroggie .	*John McKechnie .	*James A. Ovas...	†O. E. S. Whiteside	Rev. John Wells
1905	*Wm. G. Scott...	†H. H. Campkin...	†James Scroggie . .	Henry J. Pugh..	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas...	*John R. Grant...	†Rev. Geo. H. Hogbin
1906	*John McKechnie.	†James Scroggie .	Henry J. Pugh...	*James D. Baine..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Arthur H. Smith.	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1907	†James Scroggie ..	Henry J. Pugh...	*James D. Baine..	*John Wemyss ...	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Robert Magness . .	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1908	Henry J. Pugh..	*James D. Baine..	*John Wemyss ...	*Wm. Chambers . .	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*A. N. Macpherson	Rev. Thos. Neville
1909	*James D. Baine..	*Geo. W. Baker...	*John Wemyss ...	*Wm. Chambers .	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Joseph Greenfield..	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1910	*Geo. W. Baker..	*John Wemyss ..	*Wm. Chambers . .	Ed. M. Walker...	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Jas. E. Maynard..	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1911	*John Wemyss ...	*Wm. Chambers .	Ed. M. Walker...	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*R. W. A. Rolph..	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1912	*Wm. Chambers .	Ed. M. Walker..	*Lynds S. Vaughan	Henry E. Bletcher.	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*John Colwell	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1913	Ed. M. Walker..	*Lynds S. Vaughan	Henry E. Bletcher.	*Percy E. Kellett..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	Robert L. Ross...	Rev. Sydney D. Thomas
1914	*Lynds S. Vaughan	William Fenwick	Henry E. Bletcher.	*Percy E. Kellett..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*J. M. Robinson..	*Rev. Peter E. Scott
1915	William Fenwick.	Henry E. Bletcher.	*Percy E. Kellett.	Ed. T. Greenway	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas...	*Jno. Macwhirter .	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1916	Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett..	Ed. T. Greenway.	*Alex. McIntyre .	*James G. Dagg..	*James A. Ovas...	Chas. F. Hasselfield	Rev. James S. Miller
1917	*Percy E. Kellett.	Ed. T. Greenway.	*Alex. McIntyre ..	Albert J. Hatcher.	*James G. Dagg.	*James A. Ovas...	*Jno. J. Jackson..	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell

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1918	Ed. T. Greenway.	*Alex. McIntyre . .	Albert J. Hatcher.	Geo. N. Jackson.	*James G. Dagg. .	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	*Rev. Tros. G. Bethell
1919	*Alex. McIntyre .	Albert J. Hatcher.	Geo. N. Jackson.	*Rev. A. B. Baird.	Wm. J. Major. . .	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	Rev. James W. Anderson
1920	Albert J. Hatcher	Geo. N. Jackson. .	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major. .	Jabez Miller . . .	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1921	Geo. N. Jackson.	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major. . .	Jas. S. MacEwing.	Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1922	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major. . .	Jas. S. MacEwing.	A. L. Crossin. . . .	Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1923	Wm. J. Major. . .	Jas. S. MacEwing.	Albert L. Crossin.	J. C. Walker Reid.	Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1924	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin.	J. C. Walker Reid.	Jabez Miller	James Mackie . . .	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1925	Albert L. Crossin	J. C. Walker Reid.	Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	James Mackie . . .	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay
1926	J. C. Walker Reid	Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas .	James Mackie . . .	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay
1927	Jabez Miller . . .	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas .	George Hunter . .	James Mackie . . .	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	Rev. George W. Findlay
1928	*Murdo A. Whimster. .	William Douglas .	George Hunter . .	Norman J. Black.	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	Rev. George W. Findlay
1929	William Douglas.	George Hunter. . .	Norman J. Black.	David S. Woods. .	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	Rev. George W. Findlay
1930	George Hunter . .	Norman J. Black.	David S. Woods. .	James Mackie . . .	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	Rev. G. A. Woodside
1931	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods. .	James Mackie . . .	*Henry L. Adolph.	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	Rev. G. A. Woodside
1932	David S. Woods.	James Mackie . . .	*Henry L. Adolph.	Royal Burritt . . .	Alex. Burgess . . .	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1933	James Mackie . .	*Henry L. Adolph.	Royal Burritt . . .	Harry Woods . . .	Alex. Burgess . . .	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1934	*Henry L. Adolph.	Royal Burritt . . .	Harry Woods . . .	John T. Boyd. . . .	Alex. Burgess . . .	*James A. Ovas. .	. . . . .	Rev. George R. Calvert
1935	Royal Burritt . .	Harry Woods . . .	John T. Boyd. . .	Robert Hawkins .	Alex. Burgess . . .	J. H. G. Russell.	. . . . .	Rev. George R. Calvert
1936	Harry Woods . . .	John T. Boyd. . .	Robert Hawkins .	W. D. Lawrence. .	Alex. Burgess . . .	J. H. G. Russell.	. . . . .	Rev. Thomas Neville
1937	John T. Boyd. . .	Robert Hawkins .	W. D. Lawrence. .	J. J. Henderson.	Alex. Burgess . . .	J. H. G. Russell.	. . . . .	Rev. Harry Sherstone
1938	Robert Hawkins. .	W. D. Lawrence. .	J. J. Henderson. .	Rev. G. R. Calvert	Alex. Burgess . . .	J. H. G. Russell.	. . . . .	Rev. Harry Sherstone
1939	W. D. Lawrence.	J. J. Henderson. .	Rev. G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni. . . .	Alex. Burgess. . .	J. H. G. Russell. .	. . . . .	Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1940	J. J. Henderson. .	Rev. G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni. . . .	Ben C. Parker. . .	Alex. Burgess . . .	J. H. G. Russell. .	. . . . .	Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1941	Canon G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni. . . .	Ben C. Parker. . .	Sam Burland. . . .	Alex. Burgess . . .	J. H. G. Russell. .	. . . . .	Rev. P. T. Pilkey

* Dead

† Removed from Jurisdiction

LODGE DIRECTORY

No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Worshipful Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
1	Prince Rupert's	Winnipeg	R. S. Scanes	John McRae	Third Tuesday
2	Lisgar	Selkirk	M. E. Bunn	Thos. Bunn	Third Tuesday
3	Ancient Landmark	Winnipeg	P. G. Hawkins	W. F. Hutton	Third Monday
4	St. John's	Winnipeg	E. Howard Brown	Jas. Mackie	First Wednesday
6	Emerson	Emerson	R. B. Irvine	Len. Beer	Third Thursday
7	Assiniboine	Portage la Prairie	W. C. Bradley	J. H. Reynolds	Third Monday
8	King Solomon	Morris	A. J. Stevenson	S. S. Wilton	Second Tuesday
10	Northern Light	Winnipeg	J. T. Norquay	D. A. Ross	Third Thursday
11	Gladstone	Gladstone	R. M. Cawley	E. J. Cresswell	Second Monday
12	Stonewall	Stonewall	Jos. Saundry	S. F. Groome	Third Tuesday
13	Belmont	Morden	Geo. E. Cox	B. H. Emerson	Third Thursday
14	Prince of Wales	Minnedosa	Dr. E. J. Skafel	E. E. Tilley	Second Thursday
15	Corinthian	Rapid City	N. F. Basler	Arthur Dennis	Tuesday on or before full moon
19	Brandon	Brandon	J. W. Broatch	W. C. Shucker	Second Tuesday
24	Neepawa	Neepawa	Walter L. Adams	Jas. McIntosh	Second Tuesday
25	Ionic	Winnipeg	D. S. Oliphant	M. Cobban	First Monday
27	Glenwood	Souris	J. B. Mitchell, Jr.	A. W. Patrick	Fourth Friday
29	Carberry	Carberry	G. H. Froom	B. W. Caldwell	Tuesday on or before full moon
30	Manitou	Manitou	B. L. Jelly	J. A. F. Hill	First Tuesday
36	Doric	Boissevain	R. Scurfield	B. Grant	Fourth Tuesday
39	Birtle	Birtle	Alex. Clark	F. C. Barber	Tuesday on or before full moon
40	Deloraine	Deloraine	W. G. Ballard	Wm. Brown	First Wednesday
43	Lebanon	Virden	W. H. Anderson	W. L. Cann	Tuesday on or before full moon
44	Oak Lake	Oak Lake	J. L. Baillie	R. F. Stevens	Thursday on or before full moon
48	Glenboro	Glenboro	F. M. Ferg	A. S. Hames	Second Monday
49	Temple	Macgregor	E. G. Elliott	H. I. Collins	Third Tuesday
50	Killarney	Killarney	G. M. Anderson	J. C. Bate	Third Monday
51	Treherne	Treherne	V. H. Hugo	H. A. Adair	Friday on or before full moon
52	Hartney	Hartney	G. F. Morrison	J. A. Callander	First Tuesday
54	Oriental	Melita	John Davison	H. L. Morrow	First Friday
55	East Star	Gretna	C. L. Hayward	G. G. McEdward	First Thursday
62	Russell	Russell	Alex Calder	S. F. Hughes	Second Tuesday
63	Holland	Holland	Samuel Kliman	F. H. Dagg	Second Wednesday
64	Composite	Alexander	Stan. Dunn	D. A. Nichol	Thursday or or before full moon
67	Wawanesa	Wawanesa	R. C. Rutledge	C. L. Atkinson	Monday on or before full moon

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68	Vermillion	Dauphin	H. D. Brewer	John H. Conner	First Tuesday
70	Shiloh	Roland	J. M. Hedley	C. H. Glover	Second Thursday
71	Crystal	Crystal City	J. M. Howatt	W. G. McNamee	Second Tuesday
74	Elkhorn	Elkhorn	S. E. Gibbs	H. J. Jones	Monday on or before full moon
75	Gothic	Austin	I. M. West	R. J. Wallace	Wednesday on or before full moon
77	Napinka	Napinka	J. S. Holland	T. A. Taylor	First Thursday
82	Cypress	Cypress River	J. L. Christie	R. I. Connon	First Thursday
84	Hamiota	Hamiota	Geo. Bull	L. S. Taylor	Fourth Tuesday
86	Elgin	Elgin	L. A. Maguire	E. J. Smillie	Second Tuesday
87	Rathwell	Rathwell	Wm. G. Wilson	J. A. Draper	Tuesday on or before full moon
90	Midlothian	Miami	A. Duncan	W. J. Devins	Third Monday
92	Shoal Lake	Shoal Lake	D. J. Lawson	C. H. Bayfield	Second Wednesday
93	King Edward	Winnipeg	J. J. Bannerman	S. A. Restall	Third Wednesday
94	Hiram	Grandview	W. J. Swain	J. E. Johnson	Third Thursday
100	Robbie Burns	Gilbert Plains	J. H. C. Allen	M. D. Snyder	Second Wednesday
101	Binscarth	Binscarth	Geo. Fowler	M. E. Clegg	Third Tuesday
102	Miniota	Miniota	T. L. Jasper	Robert Peel	Fourth Thursday
103	Crescent	Elm Creek	R. H. Wood	H. R. Bewes	Wednesday on or before full moon
104	Reston	Reston	J. Cuthill	A. K. Cates	Second Thursday
105	Prince Arthur	Swan River	D. G. Williamson	J. Livesey	First Thursday
106	Strathclair	Strathclair	H. T. Morton	H. W. Clark	Tuesday on or before full moon
107	Lansdowne	Griswold	J. C. Williamson	J. G. McMillan	Wednesday on or before full moon
108	Union	Brookdale	T. B. Craig	A. L. Curtis	First Thursday
109	Swan Lake	Swan Lake	Fred Hedley	G. O. Couch	Wednesday on or before full moon.
110	Kilwinning	Minto	J. C. White	J. B. Francis	Second Monday
111	Acacia	Winnipeg	C. C. J. Sanderson	Wm. Dewar	Second Wednesday
112	Ophir	Beausejour	J. Longbottom	Wm. Craik	First Friday
113	Tweed	Brandon	H. M. Gibson	Wm. Fenwick	Third Tuesday
114	"The Assiniboine"	Winnipeg	J. F. T. Young	O. E. MacQuoid	First Tuesday
115	Rivers	Rivers	B. J. D. Ellis	R. G. Sinclair	Last Monday
116	St. Andrew's	Wellwood	A. G. Lord	G. W. Wells	Monday on or after full moon
117	Strathcona	Belmont	A. M. Reid	H. E. Hopkins	Thudsday on or before full moon
118	Mound	Pilot Mound	H. Johnson	R. E. Hicks	Tuesday on or before full moon
119	Norwood	Norwood	J. H. Gibson	N. McDonald	Second Thursday
120	Penza	Dominion City	Len. Andrews	A. G. Froom	Fourth Tuesday

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121	St. James	St. James	J. F. Holmes	J. C. McCallum	Second Wednesday
122	Roblin	Roblin	Geo. Kalso	D. F. McWhirter	Second Monday
123	Transcona	Transcona	J. Taggart	F. G. Turner	First Friday
124	The Pas	The Pas	W. Horester	G. A. Williams	First Wednesday
125	Patricia	Sperling	Geo. Wallace	J. H. MacLean	First Wednesday
126	Favel	Minitonas	G. H. Holmes	R. R. Johnstone	First Tuesday
127	Empire	Weston	Jas. Wardrope	E. Thompson	Second Monday
128	Victory	Benito	C. F. Drager	J. W. Herd	First Wednesday
129	Shellmouth	Shellmouth	E. R. Ridgway	F. G. Hilbert	First Thursday
130	Fort Garry	Winnipeg	E. R. Siddall	W. D. G. Runions	Second Wednesday
131	Kildonan	Winnipeg	E. B. Brown	C. M. Smillie	Second Tuesday
132	Sprague	Sprague	W. C. Watson	Thos. McCarthy	Second Wednesday
133	McCreary	McCreary	L. P. Baker	T. E. Squire	Second Thursday
134	Stony Mountain	Stony Mountain	C. A. Reed	T. Clayton	First Wednesday
136	Capitol	Winnipeg	W. J. Law	George Newman	First Friday
137	Lord Selkirk	Winnipeg	W. A. Sime	G. R. Mackay	Second Wednesday
138	Windsor	St. Vital	J. L. Strachan	H. B. Donnelly	Second Monday
139	Beaver	Winnipeg	R. C. Ham	S. W. Robertson	Second Thursday
140	Meridian	Winnipeg	D. MacKay	E. H. Crawford	Third Thursday
141	Tuscan	Winnipeg	R. J. Clark	A. R. Simpson	Second Friday
142	Harmony	Cardale	W. H. Morcom	S. W. Smith	Third Thursday
143	Mt. Sinai	Winnipeg	J. S. Perlman	J. Fred	Fourth Thursday
144	Fort Osborne	Winnipeg	E. D. Chable	T. J. Booth	First Tuesday
145	Sturgeon Creek	Sturgeon Creek	W. H. Batchelor	D. A. Best	First Monday
146	Fidelity	Winnipeg	D. Burnside	A. Sandilands	Third Friday
147	Jubilee	Bowsman	R. W. Dalton	Henry Stevens	Second Thursday
148	Seven Oaks	Winnipeg	G. M. McBain	A. C. Pritchard	Second Friday
150	Cartwright	Cartwright	H. L. Richards	J. M. Askew	Thursday on or before full moon
151	The Dormer	Winnipeg	D. F. S. Reid	J. Buchan	First Tuesday
152	Foxwarren	Foxwarren	J. R. McMillan	V. G. Hillcox	First Wednesday
153	Flin Flon	Flin Flon	Ray S. Jones	C. C. Setterington	First Tuesday
154	Pine Falls	Pine Falls	Geo. Dawson	Wm. Bird	Second Friday
155	Carman	Carman	W. M. Duncan	F. W. Evans	Third Tuesday
156	Manitouwapa	Moosehorn	W. J. Paulson W. C. Shuker	H. W. Rutherford (Eriksdale)	Third Wednesday

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No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Demitted	Sus-pended N.P.D.	Sus-pended U.M.C.	Died	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1939	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1940
1	Prince Rupert's	3	3	3	1	1	1	6	....	9	436	425
2	Lisgar	3	3	4	2	1	....	12	....	1	131	124
3	Ancient Landmark	3	5	5	....	1	3	7	....	4	377	367
4	St. John's	3	3	3	....	2	2	7	....	13	601	584
6	Emerson	1	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	2	60	60
7	Assiniboine	1	....	....	3	1	2	3	....	6	184	178
8	King Solomon	....	....	....	2	1	2	1	....	3	63	60
10	Northern Light	....	1	1	2	1	1	3	....	8	279	270
11	Gladstone	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	2	72	72
12	Stonewall	....	....	....	1	2	2	3	....	3	93	88
13	Belmont	1	1	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	75	74
14	Prince of Wales	1	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	2	95	95
15	Corinthian	1	1	1	....	....	....	8	....	....	58	51
19	Brandon	2	1	1	1	1	4	4	....	8	200	188
24	Neepawa	1	1	1	1	....	3	1	....	2	137	133
25	Ionic	6	2	2	1	3	2	5	....	13	522	512
27	Glenwood	3	1	1	1	....	1	2	....	1	117	117
29	Carberry	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	67	65
30	Manitou	....	....	....	3	1	1	2	....	....	48	49
36	Doric	5	....	....	1	1	2	....	....	4	85	86
39	Birtle	1	1	1	....	2	1	....	....	....	46	48
40	Deloraine	2	2	2	3	....	2	6	....	1	71	67
43	Lebanon	4	2	2	....	....	1	....	....	2	74	75
44	Oak Lake	2	2	2	1	....	4	2	....	2	33	28
48	Glenboro	6	6	5	....	....	....	....	....	2	44	48
49	Temple	3	3	3	....	....	1	....	....	2	74	74

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1940—Continued

No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Demitted	Sus-pended N.P.D.	Sus-pended U.M.C.	Died	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1939	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1940
50	Killarney	....	....	....	1	2	3	1	....	1	64	62
51	Treherne	1	1	1	....	1	1	....	....	1	43	43
52	Hartney	....	....	1	1	2	2	2	....	2	81	78
54	Oriental	2	2	2	1	1	1	6	....	....	49	46
55	East Star	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	45	46
62	Russell	....	....	....	1	....	1	2	....	....	46	44
63	Holland	1	1	1	....	....	1	1	....	....	52	51
64	Composite	....	....	....	....	....	3	....	....	5	49	41
67	Wawanesa	....	....	....	....	....	1	4	....	....	42	37
68	Vermillion	4	4	4	3	4	4	....	....	4	153	156
70	Shiloh & Concord	1	1	1	....	....	....	2	....	1	71	69
71	Crystal	....	1	1	....	2	....	....	....	....	34	36
74	Elkhorn	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	38	38
75	Gothic	5	4	2	....	....	....	....	....	3	51	53
77	Napinka	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	51	51
82	Cypress	5	4	3	....	1	1	1	....	3	34	35
84	Hamiota	....	....	....	1	....	1	....	....	1	51	50
86	Elgin	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	2	57	55
87	Rathwell	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	23	24
90	Midlothian	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	61	59
92	Shoal Lake	1	1	1	....	....	1	3	....	2	76	71
93	King Edward	2	2	2	3	1	3	15	....	7	345	322
94	Hiram	3	1	1	....	1	....	2	....	....	51	53
100	Robbie Burns	1	1	1	....	....	2	2	....	....	32	30
101	Binscarth	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	36	36
102	Miniota	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	60	58
103	Crescent	1	1	1	....	....	1	....	....	1	41	40

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1940—Continued

No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Demitted	Sus-pended N.P.D.	Sus-pended U.M.C.	Died	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1939	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1940
104	Reston	1	1	1	1	....	....	1	....	1	101	101
105	Prince Arthur	4	4	4	....	....	1	2	....	....	62	63
106	Strathclair	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	42	40
107	Lansdowne	1	1	1	1	....	....	1	....	....	41	42
108	Union	1	1	1	....	....	....	1	....	1	33	32
109	Swan Lake	1	1	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	20	20
110	Kilwinning	2	2	2	1	....	....	1	....	....	43	45
111	Acacia	4	4	5	....	....	3	3	....	5	203	196
112	Ophir	1	1	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	61	61
113	Tweed	6	6	6	4	2	6	....	....	3	240	243
114	"The Assiniboine"	8	6	6	5	1	7	7	....	5	357	352
115	Rivers	2	2	2	....	....	1	....	....	....	42	43
116	St. Andrews	....	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	1	42	39
117	Strathcona	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	57	57
118	Mound	....	....	....	1	2	1	2	....	....	48	48
119	Norwood	5	5	5	....	....	6	7	....	3	186	175
120	Penza	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	33	33
121	St. James	5	4	4	5	....	2	....	....	2	148	154
122	Roblin	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	32	33
123	Transcona	2	3	3	....	....	....	10	....	1	125	116
124	The Pas	2	5	5	....	....	2	4	....	....	91	87
125	Patricia	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25	25
126	Favel	3	3	3	1	....	....	....	....	....	32	36
127	Empire	1	....	....	1	....	4	2	....	....	127	123
128	Victory	3	3	3	2	....	....	1	....	....	33	37
129	Shellmouth	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	21	21

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1940—Continued

No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Demitted	Suspended N.P.D.	Suspended U.M.C.	Died	Membership Dec. 31, 1939	Membership Dec. 31, 1940
130	Fort Garry	8	9	9	4	....	3	7	....	1	187	188
131	Kildonan	1	1	1	....	....	....	3	....	1	88	85
132	Sprague	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	29	27
133	McCreary	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	36	35
134	Stony Mountain	....	....	....	2	1	1	2	....	1	57	56
136	Capitol	2	2	2	2	....	1	5	....	3	168	163
137	Lord Selkirk	2	2	2	3	....	3	2	....	....	104	104
138	Windsor	1	....	....	2	....	2	3	....	2	130	126
139	Beaver	4	4	4	3	4	2	7	....	....	197	199
140	Meridian	6	6	6	2	2	3	....	....	4	242	245
141	Tuscan	3	2	2	....	1	1	....	....	1	68	70
142	Harmony	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	19	20
143	Mt. Sinai	2	2	2	1	1	1	3	....	1	199	198
144	Fort Osborne	11	7	7	....	....	....	1	....	....	103	113
145	Sturgeon Creek	3	3	4	1	....	....	....	....	....	78	82
146	Fidelity	5	....	....	3	....	6	....	....	1	109	110
147	Jubilee	1	2	2	....	....	1	....	....	....	42	42
148	Seven Oaks	5	4	4	....	1	1	1	....	1	84	87
150	Cartwright	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	32	32
151	The Dormer	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	....	6	47	41
152	Foxwarren	1	1	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	31	31
153	Flin Flon	4	5	3	1	2	2	4	....	....	87	88
154	Pine Falls	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	1	43	41
155	Carman	2	2	1	3	....	....	1	....	....	41	45
156	Manitouwapa	7	6	4	3	....	2	....	....	....	33	41
	Grand Totals	202	178	170	91	57	135	202		174	10278	10113

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1940

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrear	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
1	Prince Rupert's	10	6	16	127	298	82	61	870.00	382.24	1047.57	404.65	20212.78	1500.00	Active	1	Rent
3	Ancient Landmark	9	6	15	73	294	75	61	909.61	400.00	198.28	417.50	27946.41	2900.00	Active	1	Rent
4	St. John's	9	4	13	127	457	100	87	1454.00	195.86	1975.90	90.00	35514.05	1750.00	Active	1	Rent
10	Northern Light	9	..	9	72	198	80	27	230.00	222.00	953.54	110.00	10089.26	1500.00	Active	1	Rent
25	Ionic	10	7	17	112	400	120	96	1373.50	540.74	1644.71	1217.00	46109.52	4000.00	Active	1	Rent
93	King Edward	9	5	14	66	256	70	120	1929.00	247.69	309.80	189.50	7869.34	2100.00	Active	1	Rent
111	Acacia	9	5	14	46	150	55	65	657.00	126.50	498.75	308.15	7401.34	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
114	"The Assiniboine"	10	2	12	77	274	65	57	596.00	293.00	1038.40	Nil.	13038.40	1500.00	Active	1	Rent
119	Norwood	9	1	10	22	153	60	31	552.00	119.27	30.68	1538.68	5973.32	7200.00	Active	1	Own
121	St. James	9	6	15	14	140	60	31	297.50	128.06	344.93	42.50	3548.68	750.00	Active	1	Rent
127	Empire	9	1	10	20	103	40	27	245.00	90.31	72.08	21.00	4042.61	3000.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1940

7	Assiniboine	10	2 & 4	16	70	107	19	44	435.00	30.00	1295.59	4170.00	13840.66	13100.00	Active	1	Own
29	Carberry	9	1	10	25	40	22	23	350.00	16.00	28.94	65.10	2392.90	1500.00	Active	1	Own
108	Union	10	..	10	16	16	10	9	85.00	Nil	16.17	Nil	1800.00	1300.00	Active	1	Own
116	St. Andrew's	10	2 &1	13	25	14	11	13	80.00	30.00	70.00	Nil	1200.00	200.00	Active	1	Rent
133	McCreary	10	2	12	10	25	15	10	132.87	12.00	256.50	17.50	616.37	400.00	Active	1	Rent
75	Gothic	12	1 &3	16	22	27	16	17	85.00	30.00	555.71	Nil	913.77	1500.00	Active	1	Own
24	Neepawa	10	2 & 1	13	60	73	25	81	517.00	30.00	1276.45	1539.00	2322.25	Yes	Active	1	Rent
49	Temple	12	2	14	33	41	20	18	95.00	21.00	310.82	Nil	2500.00	2500.00	Active	1	Own
11	Gladstone, no returns																

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1940

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
103	Crescent	9	..	9	18	22	12	17	135.00	Nil	415.18	Nil	589.06	300.00	Active	1	Rent
82	Cypress	8	..	8	20	14	9	24	200.00	Nil	42.15	92.05	250.10	100.00	Active	1	Rent
48	Glenboro	10	2	12	17	31	17	18	182.00	35.20	247.67	128.29	119.38	375.00	Active	1	Rent
63	Holland	10	1	11	16	35	20	17	196.00	Nil	283.96	Nil	346.85	300.00	Active	1	Rent
87	Rathwell	11	1	12	4	20	12	6	34.00	Nil	71.68	Nil	300.00	300.00	Active	1	Rent
117	Strathcona	12	2	14	25	32	12	14	170.00	Nil	214.79	Nil	1014.79	500.00	Active	1	Rent
109	Swan Lake	5	..	5	9	11	7	8	96.00	Nil	94.28	Nil	94.28	200.00	Active	1	Rent
51	Treherne	10	1	11	12	31	16	11	103.00	Nil	46.78	903.25	1199.75	2000.00	Active	1	Own
67	Wawanesa	7	1	8	15	22	12	13	206.00	Nil	55.45	Nil	55.45	250.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1940

13	Belmont	10	..	10	38	36	21	17	122.00	10.00	67.75	Nil	720.00	500.00	Active	1	Rent
30	Manitou	11	..	11	15	34	12	12	71.30	35.82	384.17	Nil	2839.20	350.00	Active	1	Rent
36	Doric	11	1	12	16	70	30	25	133.00	40.70	491.51	Nil	624.51	2500.00	Active	1	Own
50	Killarney	10	2	12	16	46	13	16	80.00	Nil	1051.31	Nil	1051.39	250.00	Active	1	Rent
71	Crystal	10	..	10	10	26	13	10	67.00	Nil	48.35	Nil	165.00	Nil	Active	1	Rent
118	Mound	9	..	9	14	34	12	7	53.00	Nil	406.19	Nil	559.19	100.00	Active	1	Rent
150	Cartwright	10	..	10	9	23	14	10	75.00	10.00	103.59	25.00	353.59	200.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1940

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
14	Prince of Wales..	10	3	13	29	66	21	32	416.00	Nil	262.15	1210.95	6467.20	6000.00	Active	1	Own
15	Corinthian.....	10	1	11	5	46	19	12	106.00	Nil	103.31	Nil	2428.31	1800.00	Active	1	Own
39	Birtle.....	11	..	11	19	29	19	10	80.00	21.25	226.15	Nil	2861.05	1500.00	Dorm	1	Own
62	Russell.....	10	..	10	18	25	12	13	138.00	17.21	146.98	48.00	1346.98	1200.00	Active	1	Rent
84	Hamiota.....	8	2	10	10	40	11	8	112.00	50.25	177.73	47.16	330.57	200.00	Dorm	1	Rent
92	Shoal Lake.....	10	1	11	31	40	18	19	121.00	Nil	172.17	50.24	1149.49	500.00	Active	1	Rent
101	Binscarth.....	11	..	11	14	22	9	20	681.00	Nil	32.86	Nil	532.86	500.00	Active	1	Rent
102	Miniota.....	11	3	14	25	33	18	13	75.00	10.00	285.72	Nil	2473.47	1800.00	Active	1	Own
106	Strathclair.....	12	1	13	13	27	12	13	184.00	12.00	88.83	67.93	1222.83	700.00	Active	1	Own
115	Rivers.....	10	..	10	21	22	13	15	185.00	15.00	796.81	Nil	796.81	200.00	Active	1	Rent
129	Shellmouth.....	10	..	10	9	12	7	3	35.00	Nil	33.58	450.00	1550.00	1250.00	Dorm	1	Own
142	Harmony.....	5	..	5	5	14	11	3	15.00	Nil	118.46	Nil	213.46	500.00	Dorm	1	Rent
152	Foxwarren.....	11	1	12	7	24	14	12	76.40	Nil	49.05	Nil	1800.00	1300.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1940

27	Glenwood.....	10	1	11	49	69	30	..	634.00	15.00	480.65	Nil	480.65	1500.00	Active	1	Rent
40	Deloraine.....	11	1	12	22	45	20	21	168.00	6.08	235.86	Nil	2479.86	375.00	Active	1	Rent
52	Hartney.....	9	2	11	28	49	31	39	300.00	88.00	14.64	48.15	1415.95	800.00	Active	1	Rent
54	Oriental.....	12	1	13	8	38	18	..	120.00	25.00	136.86	83.57	963.29	600.00	Active	1	Rent
77	Napinka.....	9	..	9	23	28	50 %	..	140.00	Nil	84.72	51.75	242.97	100.00	Active	1	Rent
86	Elgin.....	10	2	12	13	42	19	19	140.00	98.25	422.57	Nil	422.57	Nil	Active	1	Rent
104	Reston.....	13	1	14	22	79	50 %	..	215.00	35.38	182.45	104.30	7280.61	4500.00	Active	1	Own
110	Kilwinning.....	11	1	12	19	26	10	..	91.90	48.00	484.92	66.43	984.99	300.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1940

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
113	Tweed	10	3	13	70	173	44	73	438.00	85.52	997.63	209.00	16250.63	Nil	Active	1	Rent
19	Brandon	10	7	17	72	116	33	..	Nil	42.20	1187.78	2521.19	7098.96	200.00	Active	1	Rent
64	Composite	10	5	15	21	20	15	..	193.00	Nil	176.55	Nil	1444.55	1000.00	Active	1	Own
107	Lansdowne	11	..	11	7	35	15	10	95.00	Nil	41.82	Nil	225.00	225.00	Active	1	Rent
44	Oak Lake	10	..	10	6	22	14	5	60.00	31.15	128.50	Nil	1600.00	1300.00	Active	1	Own
43	Lebanon	10	2	12	35	40	20	22	230.00	107.47	288.68	99.75	443.45	300.00	Active	1	Rent
74	Elkhorn	10	1	11	22	16	12	9	76.00	Nil	81.78	2889.00	591.00	2500.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1940

6	Emerson	12	..	12	29	31	20	20	265.00	37.00	217.34	Nil	4500.00	2700.00	Active	1	Own
8	King Solomon	10	2	12	26	34	20	10	112.00	10.00	75.00	120.00	2380.00	2500.00	Active	1	Own
55	East Star	8	1	9	32	14	16	21	176.00	Nil	411.20	72.25	914.95	400.00	Active	1	Rent
70	Shiloh	10	1	11	19	50	22	26	229.50	43.35	407.28	32.50	1282.78	250.00	Active	1	Rent
90	Midlothian	9	..	9	16	43	12	9	50.00	Nil	225.52	178.06	1097.46	150.00	Active	1	Rent
120	Penza	10	..	10	7	26	11	9	125.00	Nil	93.58	Nil	2500.00	1500.00	Active	1	Own
125	Patricia	9	..	9	8	17	12	1	8.00	10.00	54.02	45.00	568.37	300.00	Active	1	Rent
155	Carman	10	..	10	7	38	18	7	48.00	Nil	.92	47.80	541.12	500.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1940

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
68	Vermillion	10	3	13	58	98	36	49	482.00	80.32	186.44	Nil	5460.74	2000.00	Active	1	Rent
94	Hiram	12	2	14	19	34	17	14	92.00	Nil	158.97	65.50	2437.47	1750.00	Active	1	Own
100	Robbie Burns	9	1	10	11	17	14	10	72.00	6.00	154.74	Nil	654.74	200.00	Active	1	Rent
105	Prince Arthur	12	2	14	22	40	20	14	40.00	Nil	147.36	27.00	616.30	Nil	Active	1	Rent
122	Roblin	12	1	13	7	26	17	7	70.00	3.60	2.06	49.71	650.29	750.00	Active	1	Own
126	Favel	10	2	12	9	27	13	11	117.00	Nil	51.35	1000.00	500.00	1500.00	Active	1	Own
128	Victory	8	3	11	15	22	11	14	126.00	Nil	23.27	39.00	385.00	300.00	Active	1	Rent
147	Jubilee	9	1	10	15	27	16	19	132.00	Nil	66.75	Nil	200.00	100.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1940

2	Lisgar	10	2	12	64	60	20	38	376.00	10.00	10.49	3674.00	3212.49	5000.00	Active	1	Own
12	Stonewall	12	3	15	28	60	26	20	115.00	33.00	11.95	150.00	2200.00	1600.00	Active	1	Own
112	Ophir	12	..	12	4	57	15	17	168.00	16.50	87.54	600.00	2600.00	2500.00	Active	1	Own
123	Transcona	9	4	13	14	102	37	45	726.50	84.00	571.69	751.62	1281.00	500.00	Active	1	Rent
131	Kildonan	9	2	11	10	75	36	33	437.50	115.75	1264.91	89.81	4584.60	4500.00	Active	1	Own
134	Stony Mountain	11	3	14	18	38	13	23	192.00	16.00	134.47	Nil	2786.42	1400.00	Active	1	Own
148	Seven Oaks	9	..	9	10	77	40	26	193.00	66.30	294.20	9.00	4891.10	800.00	Active	1	Rent
151	The Dormer	9	5	14	1	40	24	7	70.00	21.31	47.99	97.68	1507.31	500.00	Active	1	Rent
154	Pine Falls	10	1	11	11	30	13	15	82.00	40.00	312.21	43.81	1302.52	400.00	Active	1	Rent
156	Manitouwapa	10	6	16	2	39	..	1	10.00	195.84	227.27	Nil	395.00	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1940

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
130	Fort Garry	9	6	15	22	165	57	57	569.00	71.00	539.57	Nil	3486.37	2000.00	Active	1	Rent
136	Capitol	9	..	9	29	134	58	44	445.00	565.00	669.58	Nil	1669.58	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
137	Lord Selkirk	9	..	9	20	84	51	32	374.00	50.19	278.74	221.00	3144.03	250.00	Active	1	Rent
138	Windsor	9	1	10	16	110	50	33	403.00	61.00	337.27	2536.67	14531.29	6500.00	Active	1	Own
139	Beaver	9	1	10	48	151	58	78	711.27	100.00	967.10	27.50	4479.70	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
140	Meridian	9	1	10	28	245	86	79	655.00	158.37	385.08	180.00	8893.42	2000.00	Active	1	Rent
141	Tuscan	9	..	9	13	57	22	22	286.50	190.00	746.96	65.00	681.96	500.00	Fair	1	Rent
143	Mount Sinai	9	..	9	27	171	67	82	1322.00	75.00	536.10	431.53	4427.57	Nil	Active	1	Rent
144	Fort Osborne	9	2	11	21	92	32	35	377.20	122.75	211.57	72.50	3379.82	500.00	Active	1	Rent
145	Sturgeon Creek	10	..	10	14	68	35	10	146.00	40.30	635.35	Nil	2178.68	400.00	Active	1	Rent
146	Fidelity	9	..	9	4	106	38	24	280.00	125.30	370.90	51.16	3176.70	Nil	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE THREE LODGES UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF GRAND MASTER MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1940

124	The Pas	12	2	14	33	54	..	15	245.50	20.25	193.57	9127.35	3385.53	6000.00	Active	1	Own
132	Sprague	9	..	9	16	11	..	11	141.05	Nil	60.88	Nil	500.00	500.00	Neither Just Fair	1	Rent
153	Flin Flon	10	8	18	22	66	..	15	130.00	Nil	263.63	1828.87	6670.26	5000.00	Active	1	Own

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Address
Alabama	Guy T. Smith	Montgomery
Alberta	J. H. W. S. Kemmis	Calgary
Alpina	F. Muller-Ruegg	Berne, Switzerland
Arizona	Harry A. Drachman	Tucson
Arkansas	W. A. Thomas	Little Rock
British Columbia	Frank S. McKee	Vancouver
California	Leon O. Whitsell	San Francisco
Canada (in Ontario)	Ewart G. Dixon	Hamilton P.O. Drawer 217
Chili	Rod Castro Oliveria	Santiago
Colombia	Jose G. Fabre Carlos S. Hernandez (Ext.)	Bogota-Apartado, 2519
Colorado	Charles A. Patton	Denver
Connecticut	Winthrop Buck	Hartford
Costa Rica	Rafael Obregon Loria	San Jose-Apt. "Y"
Cuba	Dr. Constantino Pais	Havana, Apartado, 72
Czechoslovakia, N.G.L.		
Delaware	Chester R. Jones	Wilmington, 818 Market St.
Denmark	A. T. K. Troedsson	Copenhagen, 23 Blegdamsvej
District of Columbia	J. Claude Kieper	Washington, D.C.
Ecuador	Jose A. Vallejo Ycaza	Guayaquil
England	Sydney A. White	London
Egypt	Mohamed Bey Rifatt	Cairo, Box 148
Florida	Geo. W. Huff	Jacksonville
France, G. L.	Maurice Lhomme	Paris, 8 Rue Puteaux
France, N.G.L.	G. H. Hargreaves	Paris, 42 Rue de Rochechouart
Guatemala	Pedro Donis O.	Guatemala City
Georgia	Daniel W. Locklin	Macon
Honduras, C.A.	Constantino S. Ramos	Honduras, C.A.
Idaho	Clyde I. Rush	Boise, P.O. Box 1667
Illinois	R. C. Davenport	Harrisburg
Indiana	William H. Swintz	Indianapolis
Iowa	Charles C. Hunt	Cedar Rapids
Ireland	Henry C. Shellard	Dublin
Kansas	Elmer F. Strain	Topeka
Kentucky	Al. E. Orton	Louisville, 200 Shubert Bldg.
Lessing Zu Den Drei Ringen		
Louisiana	D. Peter Laguens, Jr.	New Orleans
Maine	Convers E. Leach	Portland
Manitoba	J. H. G. Russell	Winnipeg
Maryland	Claud Shaffer	Baltimore
Massachusetts	Frank H. Hilton	Boston
Mexico, York G.L.	Fred T. Berger	Mexico City, D.F. Apartado, 1986
Michigan	F. Homer Newton	Grand Rapids
Minnesota	John H. Anderson	St. Paul
Mississippi	Sid. F. Curtis	Meridian
Missouri	Arthur Mather	St. Louis, 3681 Lindell Blvd.
Montana	Luther T. Hauberg	Helena
Nebraska	Lewis E. Smith	Omaha
Netherlands	A. F. L. Faubel	The Hague
Nevada	E. C. Peterson	Carson City
New Brunswick	R. D. Magee	Saint John, N.B. P.O. Box 1430
New Hampshire	J. Melvin Dresser	Concord

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESS OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES—Continued

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Address
New Jersey	Isaac Cherry	Trenton
New Mexico	Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque
New South Wales	Jas. S. Miller	Sydney
New York	Charles H. Johnson	New York
New Zealand	H. A. Lamb	Auckland, P.O. Box 56
North Carolina	John H. Anderson	Raleigh
North Dakota	Walter L. Stockwell	Fargo
Northern China, D.G.L.	E. Philip Higgs	Shanghai, P.O. Box 417
Norway	Col. J. P. Graff-Wang	N. Voldgate 19, Oslo
Nova Scotia	James C. Jones	Halifax
Ohio	Harry S. Johnson	Cincinnati
Oklahoma	Claude A. Sturgeon	Guthrie
Oregon	D. R. Cheney	Portland
Panama	Andres Mojica	Panama, Apartado, 84
Paraiba	Augusto de Almeida Simoes	Paraiba, Brazil, P.O. Box 3
Pennsylvania	Matthew Galt, Jr.	Philadelphia
Philippine Islands	Antonio Gonzalez	Manilla P.O. Box 990
Porto Rico	Rodolfo Ramirez Pabon	San Juan
Prince Edward Island	L. A. McDougall	Charlottetown
Quebec	W. W. Williamson	Montreal
Queensland	Leslie P. Marks	Brisbane, Box 675K. G.P.O.
Rhode Island	H. L. McAuslan	Providence
Rio de Janeiro	Dr. Daniel Corea Trindada	Rio de Janeiro Box 2215
Santa Domingo	Jose Marie Perez Andujar	Santa Domingo
Saskatchewan	Robert A. Tate	Regina
Sao Paulo	Elisiarie Pinto Lima	Sao Paulo, Brazil
Scotland	L. Melrose (Acting)	Edinburgh
South Africa	F. L. Knight	Cape Town
South Australia	R. Owen Fox	Adelaide
South Carolina	O. Frank Hart	Columbia
South Dakota	E. F. Strain	Sioux Falls
Tasmania	W. H. Strutt	Hobart
Tennessee	Thomas E. Doss	Nashville, P.O. Box 216
Texas	George H. Belew	Waco
Utah	S. H. Goodwin	Salt Lake City
Vermont		
Victoria	William Stewart	Melbourne
Vienna		
Virginia	James F. Clift	Richmond
Washington	Horace W. Tyler	Tacoma
West Virginia	I. Wade Coffman	Charleston
Western Australia	A. E. Jensen	Perth
Wisconsin	William F. Weiler	Milwaukee
Wyoming	J. M. Lowndes	Casper

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	Chas. H. Stubinger	Birmingham	Mar. 10, 1937
Alberta	Samuel Harris	High Prairie	Jan. 2, 1941
Alpina	John Stucke	Bergstrasse 88 (Zurich-7)	Jan. 5, 1939
Arizona	Rev. Robt. S. Calder	Phoenix	Jan. 31, 1940
Arkansas	John H. Pinson	El-Dorado	Mar. 27, 1925
British Columbia	Donald Adams	Revelstoke	Oct. 13, 1930
Canada (in Ontario)	Frederick Cook	Ottawa	Nov. 19, 1915
Chili	Artouro de la Cruz	Santiago	Oct. 14, 1929
Colombia	Francis H. Grob	Bogota	Jan. 5, 1939
Colorado	Ira C. Foster	Montrose	Feb. 24, 1940
Connecticut	Willard A. Hunt	Forestville	April 22, 1939
Costa Rica	Iric C. Murray	San Jose	Aug. 1, 1921
Cuba, Island of	Thomas C. Sierria	Havana	June 6, 1923
Delaware	Louis S. Cain	Wilmington	Jan. 29, 1927
Denmark N.G.L.	C. E. Monrath-Oxholm	Copenhagen	Aug. 7, 1931
District of Columbia	Needham C. Tumage	Washington	July 20, 1908
Ecuador	Octavio Moran	Guayaquil	July 21, 1932
England	The Rt. Hon. Viscount de Vesci	Monk Hopton, Bridgnorth	Nov. 25, 1939
Egypt	Alfred Seffer	Cairo	Dec. 8, 1925
Florida	Frank A. Brown	Miami	Apr. 2, 1940
France, G.L.	Louis Doignon	Paris	Nov. 29, 1926
France, N.G.L.	J. C. D. Scarlett	Paris	April 26, 1936
Guatemala	Carlos A. Gieseler	Guatemala	June 10, 1925
Georgia	John A. Bishop	Atlanta	Feb. 1, 1933
Honduras, C. A.	Jesus M. Lopez	Honduras	Dec. 1, 1931
Idaho	George M. Scott	Idaho Falls	Jan. 21, 1919
Illinois	G. Haven Stephens	Danville	Aug. 30, 1924
Indiana	George W. Schneider	New Albany	April 17, 1903
Ireland	David Ferris	Newry	Nov. 1, 1921
Kansas	Harold B. Groff	Topeka	Sept. 18, 1936
Kentucky	John L. Vest	Walton	Aug. 15, 1927
Louisiana	Thomas Gessner	Hammond	May 10, 1940
Maine	Porter A. Roberts	Portland	July 20, 1937
Maryland	J. Fletcher Fairbank	St. Michael's	April 15, 1935
Massachusetts	Edwin O. Childs	Newton	Nov. 5, 1936
Mexico, York G.L.	R. B. E. Turnbull	Mexico City	July 6, 1933
Michigan	Louis Anderson	Omena	June 1, 1932
Minnesota	Lloyd Peabody	St. Paul	Nov. 29, 1931
Mississippi	A. F. Copeland	Leland	April 19, 1932
Missouri	Harris C. Johnston	Boonville	Nov. 16, 1936
Montana	W. J. Johnston	Thompson Falls	July 8, 1937
Nebraska	John A. Van Anda	Freemont	May 18, 1938
Netherlands	K. G. Jorksveld	Utrecht	Feb. 2, 1939
Nevada	Sam. P. Kafoury	Reno	June 2, 1933
New Brunswick	Donald Munro	Woodstock	April 20, 1892
New Hampshire	Walter C. Chesley	Northwood	April 10, 1934
New Jersey	James F. Russell	Jersey City	April 1, 1923
New Mexico	Earl A. Turner	Las Vegas	July 8, 1937
New South Wales	E. E. Cupit	Sydney	Oct. 13, 1923
New York	Edwin W. Seager	Randolph	Feb. 2, 1939
New Zealand	Gilbert T. Bull	Gisborne	Oct. 15, 1909
North Carolina	J. L. Peacock	Tarboro	July 1935

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES—Continued

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
North Dakota	Paul B. Griffiths	Grand Forks	Jan. 5, 1939
Norway	Jans W. Berg	Oslo	Nov. 1, 1924
Nova Scotia	W. E. Thompson	Halifax	April 18, 1934
Ohio	William H. Maddox	Roseville	April 15, 1939
Oklahoma	Clyde Ray	Tulsa	Sept. 29, 1937
Oregon	Wilmot K. Royal	Portland	Dec. 4, 1933
Panama	Raymond L. Toledano	Panama	Dec. 1, 1926
Paraiba	Dr. Arlindo Correa	Paraiba, Brazil	July 10, 1939
Philippine Islands	Gonzalo T. Vales	Manila	Feb. 6, 1940
Puerto Rico	George W. Robert	San Juan	Oct. 1, 1917
Prince Edward Island	Donald Baker	Summerside	May 8, 1936
Quebec	W. R. Allen	Montreal	Jan. 14, 1918
Queensland	William K. McLuckie	Brisbane	June 1, 1923
Rhode Island	Harold L. McAuslan	Providence	April 16, 1928
Rio de Janeiro	Leon Benshat	Rio de Janeiro	Feb. 20, 1931
Sao Paulo	Carlos Reis Filho	Sao Paulo Brazil	Jan. 5, 1939
Saskatchewan			
Scotland	Rev. Hugh F. Reid	Chirnside	Jan. 8, 1930
South Australia	E. J. Copping	Adelaide	Aug. 1, 1930
South Carolina	William W. Gregory	Inman	May 15, 1934
South Dakota	W. D. Swain	Sioux Falls	Jan. 15, 1937
Tasmania	R. V. W. Green	Launceston	April 24, 1928
Tennessee	Ira Parker	Nashville	Mar. 1, 1932
Texas	J. W. Pender	Denton	Mar. 1, 1931
Utah	R. W. Macdonald	Park City	April 7, 1938
Vermont	Charles B. Adams	Waterbury	Feb. 5, 1923
Victoria	Edgar J. Carter	Melbourne	Sept. 10, 1934
Virginia	Lynwood P. Harrell	Roanoke	Aug. 15, 1927
Washington	A. E. Emerson	Ellenburg	Dec. 8, 1916
West Virginia	Charles B. Ahrens	Wheeling	Aug. 17, 1939
Western Australia	Arthur G. Stiles	Perth	Aug. 16, 1934
Wisconsin	Ray H. Watson	Milwaukee	May 1, 1939

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	Francis H. Dagg	Holland	Mar. 31, 1920
Alberta	Hugh M. Kerr	Brandon	Nov. 25, 1930
Alpina (Switzerland)	W. C. Birt	Winnipeg	Oct. 22, 1930
Arizona	E. G. Hunt	Winnipeg	June 21, 1923
Arkansas	Jas. D. Harrower	Wawanesa	Feb. 25, 1941
British Columbia	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset	Selkirk	June 10, 1924
Canada (in Ontario)	W. D. Lawrence	Winnipeg	Sept. 13, 1940
Chili	N. J. Black	Winnipeg	May 13, 1920
Colorado	K. R. Kennedy	Winnipeg	Mar. 5, 1938
Connecticut	M. S. Donovan	Brandon	May 21, 1935
Costa Rica	R. McKenzie	Roland	May 30, 1923
Cuba	J. Morgan Davies	Winnipeg	May 27, 1940
Czechoslovakia			
Delaware			
Denmark	John Coulter	Treherne	April 2, 1915
District of Columbia	Stanley H. Fahrni	Gladstone	Oct. 17, 1930
Ecuador	A. H. Steventon	Winnipeg	May 18, 1932
England	C. Weichman	Treherne	June 1935
Egypt	Hon. Justice Wm. J. Major	Winnipeg	June 12, 1935
Florida	Edward T. Hardman	Oak River	June 2, 1934
France, N.G.L.	Hon. Robert Hawkins	Dauphin	Aug. 16, 1937
France, G.L.	Chas. H. Midwinter	Winnipeg	Mar. 3, 1937
Guatemala			
Georgia	J. J. Sinclair	Winnipeg	
Honduras	J. H. G. Russell	Winnipeg	June 1, 1928
Idaho	A. G. Cowan	Winnipeg	Oct. 17, 1930
Illinois	Hector French	Stony Mountain	June 1, 1928
Indiana	William R. Leslie	Morden	June 21, 1931
Ireland	Sydney A. Wood	Winnipeg	May 16, 1940
Kansas	John T. Boyd	Winnipeg	Oct. 3, 1935
Kentucky	Jabez Miller	Winnipeg	June 15, 1914
Lessing Zu Den Drei Ringen	James L. Lawson	Winnipeg	June 24, 1927
Louisiana	Charles E. Cole	Portage la Prairie	Feb. 28, 1938
Maine	W. D. Harper	Emerson	Jan. 19, 1937
Maryland	Norman McDougall	Emerson	April 29, 1930
Massachusetts	Rev. Geo. W. Findlay	Winnipeg	May 1, 1929
Mexico, York G.L.	M. A. Nitikman	Winnipeg	May 23, 1940
Michigan	Dr. O. S. Ross	Virden	Mar. 1, 1941
Minnesota	Ben C. Parker	Winnipeg	Jan. 13, 1938
Mississippi	George N. Jackson	Winnipeg	Mar. 30, 1902
Missouri	Maris H. Garton	Boissevain	Jan. 31, 1934
Montana	M. S. Watson	Deloraine	Feb. 26, 1941
Nebraska	Hugh Mackenzie	Winnipeg	Nov. 15, 1935
Netherlands	A. L. Crossin	Winnipeg	July 9, 1921
Nevada	Thomas A. Argue	Winnipeg	June 10, 1924
New Brunswick	Canon Geo. R. Calvert	Winnipeg	April 27, 1938
New Hampshire	George Hunter	Winnipeg	Dec. 6, 1926
New Jersey	Wm. G. Corbett	Stonewall	May 27, 1940
New Mexico	H. B. Donnelly	Winnipeg	July 1937
New South Wales	James Mackie	Winnipeg	June 10, 1921
New York	Rev. Geo. A. Woodside	Winnipeg	May 14, 1932
New Zealand	Samuel Burland	Winnipeg	Mar. 22, 1937
North Carolina	Robert Peel	Miniota	Sept. 4, 1941

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA—Continued

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
North Dakota	J. Frank Dart	Winnipeg	Jan. 18, 1937
Norway	J. P. McKinnon	Macgregor	Oct. 24, 1920
Nova Scotia	David S. Woods	Winnipeg	Oct. 13, 1926
Ohio	Arthur E. Boyle	Winnipeg	June 10, 1924
Oklahoma	Harry M. Smith	Melita	Feb. 24, 1941
Oregon	J. James Henderson	Shoal Lake	June 20, 1924
Paraiba	Wm. L. Cann	Virden	Aug. 1938
Philippine Islands	Rev. James S. Miller	Stony Mountain	May 15, 1921
Panama	Hon. I. B. Griffith	Binscarth	Oct. 23, 1926
Puerto Rico	George V. Henderson	Strathclair	July 5, 1941
Prince Edward Island	Thomas R. Falconer	Deloraine	May 7, 1931
Quebec	Harvey T. Waters	Winnipeg	May 17, 1940
Queensland	Eli E. Spencer	Morden	Jan. 19, 1934
Rhode Island	John R. Stalker	Shoal Lake	Aug. 15, 1926
Rio de Janeiro	William Cairns	Macgregor	Oct. 23, 1920
Santa Domingo	William G. Shaw	Elgin	May 30, 1932
Saskatchewan	Alex. Burgess	Winnipeg	Jan. 21, 1937
Scotland	William Douglas	Winnipeg	1936
South Australia	Daniel Hawe	Benito	Jan. 14, 1931
South Carolina	Chas. R. Sayer	Winnipeg	May 20, 1940
South Dakota	Thos. Stockdale	St. Vital	
Tasmania	John Parton	Winnipeg	1936
Tennessee	James S. MacEwing	Treherne	Oct. 15, 1913
Texas	H. G. Kilpatrick	Forrest	Feb. 14, 1941
Utah	Donald MacDonald	Ninette	May 24, 1941
Vermont	Dr. Frank K. Purdie	Griswold	May 13, 1932
Victoria	Andrew Manson	Shoal Lake	Feb. 2, 1922
Vienna			
Virginia	Harry Woods	Winnipeg	Aug. 7, 1935
Washington	George R. Mackay	Winnipeg	May 20, 1929
West Virginia	William Fenwick	Brandon	Dec. 29, 1898
Western Australia	John Watson	Beausejour	May 15, 1918
Wisconsin	Wm. J. Edwards	Winnipeg	May 20, 1940

MASONIC REVIEWS 1940-1941

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

HUGH M. KERR
Chairman

Your Committee on Correspondence herewith submits its Annual Review of the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges which have been received.

During the past year, Masonry has continued to feel the harsh heel of the dictator on the Continent of Europe. Countless news items have told the grim story of the destruction of Lodges and brutal treatment of members, whose only crime was that they were Masons. How far and in what direction the dictators will reach in days to come only the future can tell. Certain is the fate of Masonry when the dictator comes into power.

In the interest of all concerned, further recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges will probably be delayed till peace times return again.

England's membership has shown a substantial gain. The small Lodges which are encouraged there, and the disapproval of the so-called "higher" bodies by the Grand Lodge are said by Englishmen to be strong contributing factors in this growth.

Conditions in general throughout the Craft showed improvement—increased attendance; applications for the degrees likewise were more numerous, while losses were distinctly less. The loss for the year was so small compared to other years that one is led to believe that the time is near at hand when an actual increase will be the order.

So with continuing faith in the future of this Grand Lodge, your Committee respectfully submits its Review.

Fraternally submitted,

HUGH M. KERR,
Chairman.

ALABAMA, 1940—

The 120th Annual Communication was held in the City of Montgomery, on December 3rd, 1940. The Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form by M.W. Bro. Ency F. Yeilding, Grand Master. Seven Past Grand Masters were in attendance..

Manitoba's Representative Bro. Charles H. Stubinger was also present.

Seven Dispensations were issued to consolidate fourteen Lodges.

From the Grand Master's Recommendations we cull the following:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Grand Master shall appoint annually a Committee on Credentials of three members, whose duty it shall be to duly register the delegates and visitors to this Grand Lodge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no Grand Officer, Past Grand Officer, member of any Committee, District Lecturer. Delegate or Representative of any Lodge shall be registered by the Committee on Credentials until he shall file with the Committee a Certificate from the Secretary of his Lodge, under seal thereof, certifying that he is a member of that Lodge in good standing: and in the case of Delegate or Representative, further certifying that he is the duly elected and installed Worshipful Master, Senior Warden or Junior Warden, or proxy thereof:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no visitor shall be registered by the Committee on Credentials until he shall present to the Committee a membership card, or receipt, showing that his dues are paid for the current year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no one shall be admitted to this Grand Lodge until he shall have been duly registered by the Committee on Credentials.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee on Credentials shall make a true list of all those registered by them and file such list with the Grand Secretary for the records of this Grand Lodge."

There are 420 Lodges with a membership of 27,420 the summary also shows the number of "Ministers" to be 1,263.

No reviews.

ALBERTA, 1940—

The Thirty-fifth Annual Communication of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Alberta, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, was opened in the Central Masonic Temple, in the City of Edmonton, Province of Alberta, on Wednesday, June 12th, A.D. 1940, A.L. 5940, at the hour of 10:00 a.m.

M.W. Bro. George Moore, Grand Master presided.

Among the Distinguished Visitors were: M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, and R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary, of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, P.G.M., and R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary, of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. These distinguished visitors were welcomed by the Grand Master, who stated that this was the first occasion that the Grand Lodge had been visited by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba at their Annual Communication since their formation, thirty-five years ago when the late M.W. Bro. W. G. Scott, then Grand Master of Manitoba, installed and invested the officers.

A resolution of loyalty to His Majesty the King was moved and carried enthusiastically by a standing vote and forwarded by cable through the proper channels to His Majesty.

The sum of Five Thousand Dollars was donated to the Minister of Finance for the Dominion of Canada towards the purchase of war supplies and a further sum of Twenty-five Hundred Dollars allocated to the United Grand Lodge of England towards the expense of their hospitals for the care of wounded soldiers.

The Volume of the Sacred Law of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations which had been passed on from the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was rededicated at the session.

In the address of the Grand Master it was noted that permission had been granted to a lodge to confer the third degree on a brother, who after obtaining his second degree had become blind.

A request for a special dispensation was received from a lodge to receive and act on the petition of an applicant who was not yet 21 years of age, but who was a sergeant in the army and would be leaving for overseas before he reached his majority. A very careful inquiry was made and in view of the special circumstances and high regard in which the applicant was held, I granted the necessary permission.

INTERESTING AND HISTORIC EVENT

The brethren will remember that last year the Grand Master by special dispensation granted Ivanhoe Lodge No. 142 permission to hold a special meeting well within the Arctic Circle, to initiate Bro. E. J. Walli, who was manager of the Eldorado Gold Mines. In due course the meeting was held and his initiation carried out. Later Bro. Walli journeyed to Edmonton where he received his Fellowcraft degree. Now time and circumstances have removed Bro. Walli to British East Africa, where it is expected he will receive his Master Mason degree in the near future. Up to date Bro. Walli's Masonic career appears to be unique in Masonic history.

Recently I was advised by W. Bro. Chas. E. Garnett, who was the Acting Worshipful Master at Bro. Walli's initiation, that it is his desire and those associated with him, including the famous aviator, Bro. "Wop" May, to again visit this Masonically historic spot in the far north and erect a concrete cairn on which will be placed a bronze plaque, setting forth the particulars of the first regular Masonic meeting held by a chartered lodge north of the Arctic Circle.

This would appear to be a fitting sequel to an interesting and historic event.

CLOSING OF G.M. ADDRESS

Nevertheless, Masons must not live on the traditions of a glorious past. If our ancient brethren built up and handed on to us a great Order, it is ours to maintain and strive to fit to present day requirements, and in this every man must do his part. Let us not forget that our generation is the one that God has chosen to deal with present day problems and if that is the case, let us

strive manufully to overcome evil and enthrone right. Masons are from their earliest connection with the Order told to put their trust in God, and so I close with a part of the quotation used recently by our Gracious King: "Go out into the darkness and place your hand into the hand of God, sure that it will be better than light, and safer than the known way." So shall Masonry live, and peace come to your soul. So mote it be.

GRAND MASTER OF MANITOBA

The Grand Master called on M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, Grand Master of our Mother Grand Lodge of Manitoba, to address the brethren.

M.W. Bro. Henderson on rising received a fine ovation.

He then stated that in casting about for some way in which to express his appreciation for the honor conferred upon him, he remembered that M.W. Bro. Moore, when visiting in Winnipeg last week had mentioned that his Grand Secretary was still a member of the lodge in which he was initiated, fifty years ago—Spitzie Lodge, then No. 45 under the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. He had accordingly looked up the records in his own Grand Lodge office and found that M.W. Bro. Kemmis had been initiated on the 6th of June, 1890—just fifty years to the day that he was with them attending their Annual Communication. He was Master of his lodge in 1899 and D.D.G.M. of the Tenth Masonic District in 1904, all under the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, so he felt it was entirely Constitutional that their Veteran's Jewel given for 50 years Masonic service should be presented to M.W. Bro. Kemmis, and he requested him to come forward. He presented the jewel, accompanied by many good wishes, and the presentation was greeted with much applause.

The total membership, December 31st, 1939, 10,816. Decrease 82.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1940—

M.W. Bro. Hall, Grand Master, opened the 69th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia in Ample Form at New Westminster, on June 20th, 1940. In addition to the regular Grand Lodge Officers, 12 Past Grand Masters were present.

Manitoba was represented by Rt. W. Bro. Donald Adams.

As this Grand Communication was held in the ancient and historic city of New Westminster the Grand Master noted with pride the growth and development of the first capital of B.C. After detailing his itinerary of over 12,000 miles which covered practically the whole of the Grand Jurisdiction, he says:

"I am profoundly impressed by the very excellent manner in which the ritualistic work is being exemplified, and, I do not hesitate to say that Freemasonry, during the past year, has shown a move forward. Everywhere I found a decided feeling of optimism and good fellowship."

Evidently the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction are imbued with the spirit of amity and international goodwill. This is shown by the number of international visits from both sides of the Boundary line.

A special Committee was appointed with a view to a revision of the Constitution. In closing an excellent and comprehensive address, the Grand Master struck a high note, and one which must have appealed to all present:

"Freemasonry brings to fruition all the kindly impulses of human nature, which in the struggle for existence, often lies dormant or are suppressed. It is a religion of love of God, and man. As a fountain throws its living water heavenwards to descend in fertilizing showers upon the earth, so does or should a Mason's adoration of the Most High find its full fruition in scattering blessings among his fellowmen."

The financial standing shows funds and property of Lodges as $787,713.00 while $24,054.00 was paid out in relief.

The reports of the D.D.G.M. are very exhaustive, showing in detail the condition of each Lodge and cover some 80 pages of closely printed matter. It is questionable if such lengthy reports are desirable, as information is often

duplicated through other regular channels. However, there is no doubt that these worthy brethren accomplished their duties with a zeal that is most commendable.

The report of the Committee on Masonic Education and Research covers 177 pages and contains lectures and addresses on Masonic topics which should delight the heart of any student of Masonic lore. There is within those pages a store house of knowledge that should be in the hands of every Freemason. This Committee seems to realize its responsibilities.

There are 118 Lodgese with 13,879 members.

There were no appeals against the "Rulings" of the Grand Master, which is a good index as to the Grand Master's grasp of the Constitution and his duties.

There was a Civic Welcome by the Mayor of New Westminster and the brethren attended Divine Service at Queen's Park United Church.

M.W. Bro. F. J. Burd delivered a masterly address on "Masonic Etiquette and Procedure" and a Resolution of Loyalty to His Majesty The King was unanimously passed.

Manitoba for 1939 was kindly reviewed by M.W. Bro. W. A. DeWolf-Smith, P.G.S.

CALIFORNIA, 1940—

The 91st Annual Communication was held at San Francisco on October 8th, 1940. The Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form by M.W. Bro. Wm. B. Ogden, Grand Master. 21 Past Grand Masters and 1475 Officers and Representatives from 565 Chartered Lodges and delegates from those Lodges U.D. were present.

From the Grand Master's Address we find he reports the Lodges throughout his Jurisdiction to be in a healthy condition. He has had a busy year, having travelled more than 40,000 miles in making visits to Districts and Lodges; Two of the meetings are out of the ordinary to us up in this country and we sometimes wonder what would happen if some brother suggested a similar stunt meeting:

"By dispensation, Canby Cross Lodge No. 679 invited Silver Trowel Lodge No. 28 of Phoenix Arizona, to confer the third degree upon the latter's candidate and according to the Arizona ritual, at a Special Meeting of Canby Cross Lodge to be held at Prisoner's Rock in the Modoc Lava Beds on Saturday, July 13th, 1940.

By dispensation Midway Lodge No. 426 of Taft was granted permission to hold a Special Meeting for the purpose of conferring the third degree upon a candidate on top of Mt. Abel, a high mountain in the southwestern portion of Kern county on August 17th, 1940."

The Grand Orator, Bro. Leo E. Anderson, delivered a very fine oration, taking for his subject "Civic Responsibilities of Masons". A wonderful report is submitted by the Trustees of the Masonic Homes and Endowment Board, the testimentary gifts to the Fund during the year totalled $63,659.79.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is prepared by a Committee and submitted by Bro. Jesse M. Whited, Chairman. The report is in topical form.

CANADA (in Ontario), 1940—

The 85th Annual Communication was convened in Toronto on July 17th, 1940, M.W. Bro. J. A. Dobbie, Grand Master.

The Mayor of Toronto, Bro. Ralph Day welcomed the Grand Lodge to Toronto, the Grand Master replied.

The Grand Master in his address reports that Masonry in this Jurisdiction is showing excellent progress. He also refers to "Winning the War" Efforts in the following remarks:

"The question of what the Masonic Order is to do in order to help in winning the war has been uppermost in the minds, not only of the officers of Grand Lodge but also of the officers and members of the constituent lodges. Many suggestions have been made and considered, but the majority of these seemed to be along the line of contributing money to organizations already in possession of large sums, or of providing materials for soldiers, for which, if there be any great need, the Government is already in a position to supply. The Red Coss is an excellent organization doing good work; therefore, on the recommendation of the Grand Treasurer and some of the Past Grand Masters, the sum of $500.00 was sent to that organization on the 23rd of January, 1940. For this subscription I request your sanction. It was felt that, if further contribution was considered necessary, it could be made at a later date and, if other means of assisting were decided upon, the money could then be directed to that in order to enable the new plan to be carried through. Early last autumn, after the declaration of war, the suggestion was made to me by Most. W. Bro. Frank A. Copus that it would be a grand thing if the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario would send a cable to the Grand Lodge of England intimating that we would be willing to look after the children of Masons from England if they were sent out to Canada. At that time your Grand Master felt that the invitation might not be received and acted upon, owing to the fact that parents might not feel the necessity or because ocean traffic was not safe enough to risk the lives of the children. Your Grand Master did not feel that the proper time for that effort had arrived. However, recent events have caused further consideration of the scheme and, as a result of the unanimous opinion of the "Grand East", it was arranged to send cables carrying the suggestion and the invitation to each of the three Grand Lodges in the British Isles through their Grand Secretaries. Further promotion of the scheme was accomplished by having a Special Committee wait on the Honourable the Minister of Immigration and his Deputy to discuss with them the scheme and to endeavor to ascertain whether or not there were any obstacles to prevent it. Such a conference was held and the utmost co-operation was received by the Committee from the Honourable Mr. Crerar and his Deputy Mr. F. C. Blair. As a result a further cable was forwarded requesting that one thousand children be sent as a first contingent. In doing this, and as a result of some newspaper publicity, a most encouraging response has been re-

ceived, intimating to the officers of Grand Lodge that their action was concurred in by the members of the fraternity. It was then thought wise to appoint a Committee consisting of M.W. Bro. Copus. M.W. Bro. John Rowland, M.W. Bro. Dargavel, M.W. Bro. Dunlop, R.W. Bro. H. G. French, R.W. Bro. N. F. D. Kelley, R.W. Bro. Dr. T. A. Carson, R.W. Bro. E. G. Dixon, W. Bro. Russell Treleavan, W. Bro. C. H. Cunningham together with the Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Master to act as an Official Central Board on your behalf, which Committee will have full charge of receiving the children from the Children's Aid Society, under which Society they are admitted into Canada and under whose supervision they are to remain. Your Grand Master respectfully solicits your cordial and loyal support for the scheme as a whole and for the Committee thus appointed. Kindly remember, brethren, that the most fateful hour for our Grand Lodge in the work which it has undertaken and cherished for centuries has now arrived and it is incumbent upon each and every member to make this undertaking a matter of personal interest whether or not you can aid by taking a child into your own home. It is most urgent and necessary that nothing be done by any member of the Fraternity to cause the undertaking to be open to censure. We must realize, now and always, that the trust which becomes ours must be fulfilled, irrespective of everything else, and that we, as Masons, are obligated to these children, to their parents and friends, to the British Government sending them out to us, and to our King and Queen, for the most sacred trust ever bestowed on a Masonic organization. Nothing must be said or done which will in the slightest manner betray that trust, or produce, in the public mind, an undesirable impression of the Craft.

Your Grand Lodge Officers have full confidence that the Fraternity as a whole will rise to the occasion and carry through to a most satisfactory termination the undertaking which has been planned out of hearts filled with brotherly love, relief, and truth."

The Grand Master administers a rebuke to the Officers of those Lodges which omit to produce the auditors' report before proceeding with the installation of the Master-elect.

The report on Fraternal correspondence is prepared by a Committee headed by M.W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, P.G.M. and includes Manitoba for 1939.

COLORADO, 1940—

The 80th Annual Communication was held in Denver, on September 17th, 1940.

The Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form by M.W. Grand Master Thomas H. Cox.

The Committee on Credentials reported that representations were present from 140 of the 147 Chartered Lodges.

Bro. Ira C. Foster represented Manitoba.

The Grand Master reports the Craft as a whole to be in a healthy condition. Three cornerstones were laid and two Masonic Halls dedicated.

The Grand Secretary reports the membership to be 29,129 and a loss of 305. The Trustees of the Benevolent Fund at the close of the year had a value of $266,873.08. Relief was extended to 54 needy persons. At the close of the year they had 43 on the roll, and spent $9,836.50 on this relief.

SOLDIER MASONS WAR RELIEF FUND

This fund had a value, at the close of our fiscal year, of $43,971.57 and from the income of this fund we spent $355 in the care of the widow of a Master Mason who served in the war and left, in addition to his widow, two children, one a girl who had just graduated from high school, and a boy. After many consultations with the widow by one of the members of the Committee a plan was inaugurated whereby the girl was admitted to a hospital to take a course that would enable her to become a trained nurse, and an allowance was made to the widow who is only partially self-supporting and would make her path much easier. The daughter is now completing her final year and by next summer will become a self-supporting unit in society and be able to lighten the burden on her mother.

Surplus earnings arising from this fund are annually transferred to the Benevolent Fund, in accordance with a decree of court, the transfer being made on the order of the Grand Master.

CHARLES H. JACOBSON MEMORIAL FUND

Since the establishment of this fund we have rendered assistance of 28 scholars attending state institutions of higher learning. Eleven of these have graduated and repaid the fund in full the $1700 they borrowed and in adition $162.56 interest. Of the remaining 17 eight have graduated and are now repaying the fund. Three have dropped out of college and six are still in school. The Jacobson Fund, in addition to its invested securities, holds notes of students, both out of college and of those still in school, in the amount of $2,705.00.

About 30% of our funds have been donated or bequeathed to us as memorials and we feel that it is obligatory to maintain the integrity of these memorials. Therefore, during the last year we have set up a reserve fund against losses to which is accredited 5% of the revenue derived from securities and we believe this will hold the fund intact under all conditions, provision being made in the resolution that in the case of emergency this reserve can be entirely used for relief.

The Committee on Correspondence gives a brief review in topical form of the Proceedings of Grand Lodges and quotes in condensed form from M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence's address.

CONNECTICUT, 1941—

The 153rd Annual Communication was held in the City of Hartford on February 5th, 1941. M.W. Bro. Wm. E Hammer, Grand Master, presiding.

From the Grand Master's address it is evident that he has had a busy year and has labored hard and long to maintain co-operation and harmony between the Grand Lodge and the Constituent Lodges.

The Grand Secretary reports 128 Lodges with a membership of 33,872 and a net loss of 694.

The Report of the Board of Managers of the Masonic Home is one of the highlights of this Proceedings. The membership at the end of the year was located as follows:

	Men	Women	Total
Home	82	112	194
Hospital	41	67	108
Outside	17	26	43
	Boys	Girls	
Outside	22	25	47
			392

The expense of operations for the year 1940 was $200,522.01, truly a wonderful work of Benevolence is being performed in this Jurisdiction and only lack of space keeps us from giving more information to our readers on this subject.

The Report of Committee on Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. Winthrop Buck, P.G.M., who includes Manitoba for 1940 in his reviews.

DELAWARE, 1940—

The Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Delaware contain a special Communication held on April 12th, 1940, convened for the purpose of laying a Corner Stone of the United States Post-office at Selbyville.

The one hundred and thirty-fifth Annual Communication was opened at Wilmington, on the second day of October, 1940, and was called to order by M.W. Grand Master T. Scott Purse. R.W. Chester R. Jones was Grand Secretary.

It is noted that Brother Louis S. Cain, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was present. Distinguished visitors from nearby Grand Jurisdictions of New Jersey, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, and New York were also in attendance at the opening.

In the Grand Master's address tribute is paid to three Past Grand Masters, Brothers Thomas J. Day, Eldad Clarke and Harry W. Lowe, all having passed to the Great Beyond since the last annual communication.

During his year the Grand Master accompanied by his official family visited all the subordinate Lodges in the Jurisdiction.

A report is submitted in the address of a meeting of the Masonic Service Association held in Washington, D.C., on February 22nd, 1940. Practically all proceedings of Grand Lodges in the United States refer to this meeting and comment on resolutions passed there. It appears that in the last war the Government of the United States refused to allow Masonry to do welfare work among the members of the Fraternity in the Army and Navy because no one man or group of men had the authority to speak and act for all American Masons.

During this session at Washington it was agreed that the Masonic Service Association should have that authority should the United States be drawn into the conflict which is now raging in Europe.

FOREIGN RELATIONSHIP

Continuing the Grand Master's address he says:

"I feel there has been a lack of interest shown by Representatives of other Grand Lodges near the Grand Lodge of Delaware. Many Grand Lodges resent the fact that although they have gone to the trouble to issue commissions to some of our Brethren their Representatives have been consistently absent from our annual meetings. This has been unfavorably commented upon by some Jurisdictions in their proceedings. At the same time, I feel that if we insist upon our own members representing foreign Grand Lodges, certainly we should be equally as insistent upon being represented by the brethren of other Jurisdictions whom we have honored."

Some Grand Lodges, to overcome the foregoing, have a section in their constitution making a time limit after which the Grand Secretary may cancel their commissions if they absent themselves without sufficient excuse.

The following letter was forwarded to the Grand Master of England, H.R.H. The Duke of Kent:

"Most Worshipful Sir:

"The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Delaware, in communication assembled, has directed me to express to you and the brethren of the United Grand Lodge, its Fraternal Greetings.

"Our sympathies and prayers are in your behalf and may the Great Architect of the Universe speed the day when Peace will again be with you.

"Can we be of assistance, financially or otherwise? If so, your request will meet with immediate compliance.

"Fraternally and sincerely,

"T. SCOTT PURSE,
"Grand Master."

A very interesting report is submitted by the Committee on Education on the Gunning Bedford Jr., Scholarship Fund and on the progress of the students who have enjoyed a scholarship from this Committee.

Report of the Committee on History and Research in a brief sketch of the early history of the lodges, previous to the formation of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, in June, 1806, is given in the proceedings and is worthy of attention. The oldest warrant granted appears to be on June 24th, 1765, was to a Lodge at Cantwell Bridge (now Odessa) New Castle County.

Ten of the seventeen Lodges reviewed in this report surrendered their charters during the Morgan Episode.

This Committee depreciates the work they have done but we notice that the storage of their documents was to be raised from $5.00 to $12.00, which in itself speaks for their work. Another way was found for the difficulty for which they have to be congratulated.

In the Grand Secretary's Report the number of Constituent Lodges is given as 22. Membership 5,163. Net Loss 51.

Most Worshipful Brother George Duffy was elected and installed as Grand Master for 1940-41.

R.W. Brother Chester R. Jones re-elected as Grand Secretary.

The Grand Lodge will meet in the City of Wilmington on the first Wednesday in October, 1941.

The Grand Lodge of Manitoba is fraternally reviewed.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1940—

The first stated Communication for the year 1940 was held on May 8th, 1940, in Washington, D.C., which covered routine business.

The 130th Annual Communication was convened on December 18th, 1940, in Washington by M.W. Bro. Needham C. Tumage, Grand Master, who is also Manitoba's Grand Representative.

The Grand Master delivered a businesslike address which covered his many duties throughout the year. He reports the condition of the fraternity as both enlightening and encouraging.

They are also having some trouble with the Grand Lodge of Virginia with regard to waivers of Jurisdiction but

no doubt this will be straightened out sometime in the future.

Bro. J. Walter Karsener presents a fine correspondence report in which Manitoba is included.

ENGLAND, 1940—

At the Quarterly Communication held in London, on March 6th, 1940, the M.W. Bro. H.R.H. The Duke of Kent, K.G., was re-elected and proclaimed as Grand Master.

The Annual Investiture of Grand Lodge Officers was carried out on April 24th, 1940.

REFRESHMENTS AFTER LODGE MEETINGS DURING HOSTILITIES

The M.W. Pro Grand Master: Brethren, by command of the M.W. The Grand Master, a letter will be circulated to Lodges, which reads as follows:—

Dear Sir and Brother:

I am commanded by the M.W. The Grand Master, H.R.H. the Duke of Kent, K.G., to inform you that during the period of hostilities it is his wish that the refreshments provided after Lodge Meetings should be as simple as possible to conform with the need for national economy.

The Grand Master is aware of the benefit which is derived from social intercourse between Brethren, but in view of the present national requirements His Royal Highness feels sure that the necessity for exercising moderation in the after proceedings will be realized by all.

From the report of the Board of General Purposes we quote the following:

MASONIC JEWELS

Dealing with the Report, with regard, first of all, to the surrender of Masonic Jewels, the response to that appeal has been most gratifying, and almost more pleasing are the many expressions of appreciation which we have received from donors of the opportunity to make a personal sacrifice to the cause. Others have stated that, hard as it is to part with such treasured possessions, it is really nothing as compared with the sacrifices made by those who are giving their all to the country. The scheme has two purposes, one, to raise a sum of money to be presented to the Government, and the other, to make available the valuable metals which are so much needed by the country. We have had many suggestions as to how the scheme could be improved, and also some criticisms, the latter generally being to the effect that, owing to the sentimental value attaching to the Jewels, Brethren would prefer to make a donation instead of surrendering the Jewels, and that in any case the melted-down value, less the expense incurred, would not pay for the effort. As regards the expense one of the foremost assaying firms in this country at once offered to do the melting down and assaying free of charge (Applause), and the appreciation of the Board has been conveyed to them. As regards the question of the small intrinsic value of the Jewels, Brethren will be interested to know that the result of the first month's gifts has enabled us to send a cheque for £10,000 to the Treasury. (Applause). We are sure that all the Brethren appreciate what it means to the Board that we have had such a wonderful response to our appeal, and I think it also points out that the Board anticipated the feelings of the Brethren by sending out that notice.

ENGLAND, 1941—

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The Report of the Special Committee of Benevolence submitted a brief report as follows:

December 18th, 1940.
49 Petitioners were relieved to the extent of £3,335-0-0

January 15th, 1941.
31 Petitioners were relieved to the extent of £2,065-0-0

February 19th, 1941.

47 Petitioners were relieved to the extent of £3,200-0-0

From the Report of the Board of General Purposes we quote the following:

ADMISSION OF VISITORS TO LODGES

The Board desires to remind Lodges that special care must be exercised in the admission of visitors from other Constitutions. There is a possibility, at the present time, of Brethren coming into contact with members of Bodies not recognized by the Grand Lodge, and it is important that no invitation be extended unless the Masonic qualifications of the intended visitors are established. In any case of doubt, enquiries should be made to the appropriate Masonic Authorities.

GRAND LODGE REGISTER, 1939-1940

Returns are presented herewith, in accordance with custom, showing the number of Lodges on the Register of Grand Lodge, and of Certificates issued, during the past ten years.

LODGES ON GRAND LODGE REGISTER

	London	Provincial	District and Abroad	Total
1931	1,126	2,789	707	4,622
1932	1,146	2,836	714	4,696
1933	1,164	2,863	715	4,742
1934	1,184	2,910	721	4,815
1935	1,204	2,955	731	4,890
1936	1,221	2,990	732	4,943
1937	1,241	3,021	735	4,997
1938	1,258	3,067	735	5,060
1939	1,281	3,109	739	5,129
1940	1,281	3,164	739	5,184

GRAND LODGE CERTIFICATES

	Issued at Freemasons' Hall	Issued by Dist. Grand Masters	Total
1931	15,560	2,019	17,579
1932	15,237	1,856	17,093
1933	14,074	1,918	15,992

1934	14,153	1,741	15,894
1935	13,555	1,737	15,292
1936	14,003	1,492	15,495
1937	14,077	1,452	15,529
1938	14,127	1,686	15,813
1939	12,064	1,584	13,648
1940	10,624	1,618	12,242

On this occasion a feature of unusual interest appearing in the Balance Sheet is the reference to the Masonic Jewels Fund. Since the close of the year a further payment has been made to His Majesty's Treasury, making a gratifying total of £20,000 which to date has been realized by the surrender of Masonic Jewels.

The Annual Investiture was held on April 30th, 1941, at which time a welcome was extended to R.W. Bro. The Rt. Hon. Viscount Galway, P.C.G., C.M.G., D.S.O., O.B.E., P.G.W., P.G.M. of New Zealand on his return to England.

At this meeting M.W. Bro. H.R.H. The Duke of Kent, K.G., was proclaimed Grand Master by his several styles and titles.

For the information of our brethren we quote the address of Welcome to the Grand Master and his reply:

WELCOME TO THE M.W. THE GRAND MASTER

The M.W. Pro Grand Master: M.W. Grand Master and Brethren, I am sure that your Royal Highness does not require any words of mine to convince you of the pleasure which is derived by the Brethren present in Grand Lodge whenever you attend our gatherings. (Loud applause). I am certain that you can sense the feeling of interest which always exists in the proceedings of Grand Lodge, but which is so greatly enhanced by your Royal Highness's presence. I therefore only address you on this occasion because the Brethren would like to be sure that your Royal Highness has had expressed in words the great pleasure which they feel whenever their Grand Master is able to spare the time to come to a gathering of Grand Lodge. (Applause). In addition I should like to add just one word to assure you that the activities of Freemasonry are being carried on, and are being carried on as I am sure your Royal Highness would wish, very greatly to the National interest. (Hear, hear). Indeed, if I may say so, the principles of Freemasonry are now being taught to a much wider

circle of the uninitiated and popular world than ever before, and, as an instance of that, I would like to remind the Brethren of words used by the Prime Minister (himself a Freemason) the last time when he broadcast to the Nation. A short poem which he quoted ended with the words:

> "And not by eastern windows only,
> When daylight comes, comes in the light;
> In front the sun climbs slow, how slowly!
> But westward, look, the land is bright!"

And Brethren will recognize that in those words are embodied one of the symbolic teachings of Freemasonry. For many, many years we have been taught, when the light has been lost in the East, to travel and seek for it in the West, and that symbolic teaching is now being brought to the uninitiated in order that they should realize that the light, though it may be partially eclipsed in one quarter, is never extinguished. So I am sure that Freemasons throughout our Constitution will continue to teach that same principle, and that same principle is going in the long run to save us, to save all that we hold dear, to bring us the full glow of light through goodness.

Your Royal Highness, every time that you come into the midst of the Brethren, the welcome you will receive will grow warmer, and we most gladly express to you today our grateful thanks, both on behalf of the Brethren whom you have honored by investing them today, and on behalf also of all the Brethren who have been privileged to be present and to witness that ceremony. (Loud applause).

The M.W. The Grand Master: Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master, I am very grateful to you for the welcome which you have addressed to me. It has been a great pleasure to me to be present at Grand Lodge today to invest those Brethren whom I have appointed to higher rank in the Craft. In Freemasonry, as indeed in every walk of life, greater responsibilities come with advancing dignities, and while I convey my congratulations to each one who has received honors today, I must impress upon them that they should be regarded as a means to further service.

In travelling about the country in the performance of other duties, I am glad to find that the spirit of Freemasonry is so alive among our members, and this is particularrly noticeable in those parts where the perils of war have taken their heaviest toll. In some cases the difficulties of arranging meetings have seemed almost insuperable, but no obstacle appears too great to discourage those Brethren in their determination to continue their Masonic

work. (Applause). They appreciate what Freemasonry means, especially in anxious times, and those with less difficulties to contend with and who have not strained every effort, might well look to them as an example.

There is, I regret to say, a sadder side of the picture. Much Masonic property has suffered damage in varying degrees—that can, and will rise again; but many of our Brethren, with the members of their families, will not return again. There are others also who have laid down their lives in the Forces of the Crown. To all who are bereaved we extend our fraternal sympathy—may it be some comfort to them that those for whom they mourn have died for what we believe to be a great cause.

I would like to express my gratitude to Freemasons all over the world who have been so generous in assisting us to relieve distress occasioned by the war. We are assured that our Brethren overseas have us constantly in their thoughts and we have received tangible proof of their ready sympathy and their desire to share our trials.

I conclude with the fervent hope that all may go well with each one of you until victory comes, as assuredly it will do. None of us can foresee, however, what may be in store for us in the months ahead; but I am confident that, whatever may befall, we shall meet it with that courage and fortitude which befits those who are members of a great Society founded on the purest principles of piety and virtue. May the great Architect of the Universe protect, guide and comfort you in the service of our King and Country. (Loud and prolonged applause).

FLORIDA, 1940—

The 111th Annual Communication was held in the city of Jacksonville on April 16th, 1940. M.W. Bro. Ralph J. Kishpaugh, Grand Master, presided and there were ten Past Grand Masters present. The Grand Master delivered a business-like address, and during the year issued quite a number of "rulings and interpretations of law," from which we extracted the following:

July 2. A question from the Worshipful Master of Grand Ridge Lodge No. 169, as to the propriety of Masonic funeral to be

conducted in conjunction with a military funeral. The query was answered by quoting the following ruling by Most Worshipful J. S. B. Moyer, approved by Grand Lodge in 1933:

"It would be contrary to Masonic dignity and tradition to participate in a funeral procession subordinate to another fraternal organization. It will be permissible to open your lodge, attend church services in a body, occupy whatever section set aside for them, then reporting to the cemetery (not as a part of the procession) and inter with Masonic honors the deceased. This Masonic burial service to be the final service and not preventing any other fraternal burial service which might precede it."

In connection with this it is permissible for a military organization to fire its salute and sound taps after the Masonic service. (Approved).

November 8. From Secretary Royal Palm Lodge No. 100. Can this lodge receive petition from the Rev. George Harris Ricks, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Homestead? He has been in the State only six months, all in Homestead. His work requires him to move about from place to place. I ruled that Regulation No. 337 would apply in this case, and that ministers of the Gospel are privileged to be relieved of the payment of fees and/or dues at the will of the lodge. (Approved).

We also notice that R.W. Bro. Frank A. Brown has been recommended for appointment as Grand Representative for the Grand Lodge of Manitoba near the Grand Lodge of Florida.

The Grand Orator Bro. Fred B. Noble delivered an inspiring address entitled "The Message of Masonry", which we think is one of the finest we have read for some time.

From the statistics of returns we notice that there are 223 lodges on the roll with a total membership of 19,998. No reviews.

GEORGIA, 1940—

The 154th Annual Communication was held in the City of Macon, on October 29th, 1940.

W. Bro. John A. Bishop represented Manitoba.

M.W. Grand Master J. Wilson Parker presided and opened the Grand Lodge in Ample Form.

The Grand Master gave a very full and comprehensive address covering his year's work, which shows that he was more than generous in the time and labor given to carry out the work of his exalted office, especially when he was laid aside with severe illness for some months. From his opening remarks we quote the following:

"The rights of free speech, freedom of the press, free assembly, freedom of worship and trial by jury that we enjoy today as commonplace were acquired at great sacrifice. It is our privilege to enjoy them and our duty to transmit them unimpaired to posterity.

"It seems that three despots have designed to conquer and divide among themselves the entire world. They have overrun small nations, slaughtered and enslaved free men, and shown their utter contempt for those things we hold sacred. Today the high altar of St. Paul's, which was designed by our Bro. Sir Christopher Wren, likewise is a shamble of ruin. It was my sacred privilege to worship at that high altar, likewise to witness the rays of the noonday sun through the Rose Window of Westminster, a priceless treasure of antiquity, which is endangered by the ruthless aggression of those who came to destroy and not to fulfill. Not only has Masonry been destroyed in those countries but the rights and privileges we hold to be inalienable have been swept away. Consequently, Masonry, with few exceptions, no longer exists in any but the English speaking countries.

"Therein lies the challenge to us. In America we face our greatest crisis. For the first time in history we are confronted with a law calling for peace-time conscription of our man-power for military service. Let me urge, with all the emphasis of my being, that every member of our Craft, yea, every man, woman and child within our far-flung borders, fully, completely and wholeheartedly co-operate with our Federal Government in its programme to establish the complete defense of our country. The only language dictators know or understand is the language of force. Our only hope for peace, the only hope that we have that our American institutions shall not be destroyed, lies in such a complete armament of this nation that no other nations and no combination of powers on this earth would dare attack us."

During his eight active months of service, 131 Official Visitations were made. Five corner stones were laid.

There are 477 Lodges, with a membership of 39,243—a gain of 211, but 14 Charters were surrendered with a membership of 328, showing a net loss of 117.

M.W. Bro. Raymond Daniel, Grand Correspondent, was prevented from making his usual report on account of illness. We express our sympathy and hope he will soon be able to take up his good work again.

IDAHO, 1940—

The Seventy-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho was held in Lewiston, Idaho, September 10th, 11th and 12th.

M.W. Grand Master Bro. W. Wade Wilson presiding with R.W. Bro. Curtis F. Pike, Grand Secretary.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge make interesting and instructive reading, more so being a jurisdiction somewhat smaller than our own. Beautiful bouquets of flowers, presented by many organizations decorated the Grand Lodge room and a special place of honor must have been reserved for "the large basket of gladioli, of a color so closely matching the complexion of the Grand Master." The color is not stated but after reading the proceedings and noting the successful year—it must have been golden. In his address the Grand Master says:

"I doubt if there has ever been a Grand Master before who has had such a peaceful and harmonious administration. Not one unpleasant thing has come to my attention. Not one unpleasant duty have I been called upon to perform.

"In no district meeting was the attendance less than one hundred and was as high as three hundred and fifty."

An event of unique importance is noted in his visitation of lodges.

"On June 15th occured what I suppose is the most outstanding meeting of my year, and a Masonic event worthy of notice throughout the world. Together with Bros. Pike, Gibson, Locey, and Peterson I journeyed to the historic lodge at Silver City. In that almost abandoned mining camp we saw Brother R. H. Leonard confer the M.M. degree upon five of his sons. This event was witnessed by one hundred and twenty-eight members of the Fraternity with over thirty lodges represented. To have five sons in this day is a great event: to have five sons taking their work the same night is history."

The following cablegram was forwarded to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England:

"The Grand Lodge of Masons of Idaho in Annual Session, this, the first morning of our three day communication, sends the greetings and sympathy to the Masons of the British Empire. May the Great Architect of the Universe support you in this your dark hour, may you with the determination of your countrymen, succeed in your struggle against despotism. Our prayers are for you. We realize that you are fighting for all that Masonry holds dear."

The cablegram was gratefully acknowledged by Bro. Sidney A. White, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England. Continuing in the same spirit, the Grand Secretary of Idaho, Bro. Curtis F. Pike read:

"It must now be admitted that for Masonry, and all the ideals that it holds sacred, the battle of England is humanity's last stand against totalitarian oppression. The Mother of democracy is facing the severest test of her existence. There is no reason to think that she will fail in the test; the evidence of history is all in her favor, the grim determination, the fighting spirit; and the oneness of her people are her formidable mainstays.

"Need any Mason be told of his duty at this hour? Can his convictions waver before the evidence of his sight? Can his loyalty be deluded as to which country is fighting his cause in this war? There is but one thing he need remember, and that is that Nazism has long ago crushed his brothers within its Jurisdiction; not a vestige of his Fraternity is visible on the continent of Europe today. Only England remains to speak his Masonic mind before the black menace of Fascist despotism—only England to keep alive the immortal Spirit of Runnymeade for the rest of us who have not surrendered to the gangsters of Berlin.

"England's battle is Masonry's battle. There is no way of evading that truth."

The returns from all lodges have been received. All reports are now in the hands of the Committee on Returns of Lodges. All lodges have paid their dues in full. All lodges have reported the proceedings read as required by law.

"Worshipful Masters are required to read the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge, or to have them read to their respective Lodges, within three months from the receipt thereof, which fact the Lodge secretaries are required to report to the Grand Secretary."

There is no report on Manitoba, and at the time of issue, no Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Idaho.

M.W. Bro. Asa A. Vealey elected and installed Grand Master for 1941.

R.W. Bro. Clyde I. Rush elected and installed Grand Secretary.

No. of Lodges 81; Members 8,940; Net gain 78.

ILLINOIS, 1940—

Illinois held her 101st Annual Communication at Chicago, on October 8th, 1940, and was opened in Ample Form by M.W. Bro. Dan DeBaugh, Grand Master, with an attendance of nine Grand Masters and 63 Grand Representatives, including Manitoba's representative Bro. G. Havens Stephens, who were received with honors later.

Among the distinguished visitors received were M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd and M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, Past Grand Masters of Manitoba.

The Grand Master delivered an address detailing his official activities which were in keeping with the high rank and standing of this great Grand Lodge of Illinois.

On the "Condition of the Craft" the Grand Master reports an optimistic trend relative to the status of individual Masonic Lodges and Masonry in general. Two Lodges were consolidated, one Cornerstone laid and three Masonic Temples dedicated during the year. Grand Orator Bro. Edgar A. Jones delivered an extensive address referring to the One Hundredth Anniversary.

Past Grand Master Elmer E. Beech as usual furnishes us with another review of Proceedings of an interesting and instructive nature, which includes Manitoba for 1940.

INDIANA, 1939—

One Hundred and Twenty-Second Annual Communication, Indianapolis, May 23rd and 24th. Grand Master presiding, M.W. William H. Morrison; Grand Master elected, M.W. John R. Hunter; Grand Secretary, M.W. William H. Swintz. Lodges 545. Members 106,257. Loss 996.

Grand Representative of Manitoba was present.

The Grand Master in his address, which covered over thirty pages, minutely describes his stewardship during his year in office, he speaks in glowing terms of his visit to the Bicentenary Anniversary of Freemasonry in Canada, July 11th through the 15th, 1938, beginning at Halifax, Nova Scotia, where 200 years ago the first Lodge of Freemasonry was established by Erasmus James Philipps who was deputized by Henry Price then the Grand Master of Massachusetts. He says his visit among Canadian Brothers was a mission spreading good will and understanding, not only among Masons, but also among the citizens of two great democracies.

The Grand Master cautions all Masons to be most careful in joining new groups many of which though they have patriotic sounding names their backing and support may come from one of the various isms working to undermine American institutions, pointing out that we have in the teachings of Masonry all the vital essentials for the building of true patriotic citizenship.

During the year the Grand Lodge Officers had the pleasure of presenting our ritualistic ceremony on the occasion of laying four cornerstones. Three times during the year to dedicate Masonic Temples.

The Grand Master records the passing of Indiana's Senior Past Grand Master, Brother Orlando W. Brownback.

The Reviews of Proceedings are published in the Indiana Freemason, as pointed out by P.G.M. Elmer F. Gay, in his report.

INDIANA. 1940—

The 123rd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Indiana was held in Indianapolis on May 28th and 29th, 1940, M.W. Bro. J. R. Hunter, Grand Master presiding.

Bro. George W. Schneider representative of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was present.

The enthusiasm of the members of this Grand Lodge is again evident from the report of the Proceedings covering 360 pages and representatives from 539 Lodges being present out of a total of 542 Lodges. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. R. Hunter gave a very full and interesting address and concluded with these words:

"Despite the fact that we enjoy the highest life and privileges and also enjoy the highest standard of living in all the world, we have within our borders, citizens destitute of knowledge and undesirable aliens who are seeking by every subversive means to

destroy our rights as free people, and set up a totalitarian form of Government. May we not, therefore, more fully appreciate the blessings we enjoy as American citizens and more fully realize that the perpetuity of American institutions depends upon how fully we assume and discharge our responsibilities as citizens of this Republic."

"Eternal vigilance my Brethren, is the price of Liberty."

It is noted in the report of the Grand Lecturer that he finds that violation of Masonic rules found in a number of Lodges simply have been caused by failure of the Officers to read the general regulations. If the Officers, particularly the Worshipful Master and Secretary, would read and familiarize themselves with the rules, very few violations of law would be made, unless willfully.

Grand Master Hunter installed the newly elected Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Jacoby. During the ceremony, Bro. Jacoby wore a Masonic apron that had belonged to General J. Tipton, the apron was 104 years old.

Grand Master Jacoby said in part, after installation:

"Today we meet in peace and harmony. The world is torn between many conflicting "isms" and foreign propaganda. Too many within our own shores, who have in the past chosen our form of government voluntarily as a haven from oppression, are now looking backward, and with beckoning hands are finding followers. Masons now, as seldom before, have a very clearly defined course of action, that of acting as the balance in the great propelling wheel of free government. That by putting into practical effect the teachings of Masonry, the beneficient principle of right will be written large upon the pages of history and the opposing philosophy of might shall be forever expunged from the records of civilization."

M.W. Bro. W. H. Swintz is the Grand Secretary.

There are 542 Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction with a membership of 105,705, which shows a decrease of 552.

IOWA, 1940—

97th Annual Communication, Burlington, Iowa, June 11th, 12th, 13th, 1940. Grand Master presiding, M. W. Bro. Homer Augustus Benjamin. Grand Master Elected, M.W. Bro. Harry Louis Searle. Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Charles Clyde Hunt, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Lodges 547; Members 66,875; Loss 58

Largest Lodge, Pioneer No. 22, Des Moines, 1165 members.

Smallest Lodge, Senna No. 344, Liberty Centre, 17 members.

Distinguished visitors were present from California, Ohio, Minnesota, Missouri and Nebraska.

The Grand Master began his address by pointing out the responsibilities of every Mason as follows:

RESPONSIBILITY

Our responsibilities as good citizens and true Masons are far greater today than they have ever been, at any period, in our life's history.

Throughout the world we see many forces at work seeking to set man against man and nation against nation. We see nations, like individuals, losing faith in one another. We see selfishness, hatred, intolerance, injustice, and misunderstanding dominating the lives of men. We see innocent people being persecuted because of their race, creed, and religion.

We see Freemasonry in many countries being abolished by totalitarian regimes, largely because of its ideals of education, religion, and democracy; and it is my considered judgment that to preserve humanity it requires the inspired leadership and the united, co-operative effort of all spiritually minded brethren who love Masonry and liberty and who place human value as the first requisite to a happy, contented, and peaceful life.

Freemasonry has ever rested its programme upon the foundation rock of truth, justice, tolerance, understanding, and brotherly love. If these principles were made the basis of the

relationship today between man and man, nation and nation, there would, indeed, be peace on earth and good will toward men. The mission of this great Order is, and has always been, the building of the ideal human temple.

Each individual must build himself if he is to make his contribution toward the building of humanity as a tolerant and enlightened brotherhood of mankind. Masonry's contribution in this troubled hour will be measured by the extent to which each of us lives a life in conformity to Masonic teaching and renders service for the common good of humanity.

In his remarks on the condition of the craft in Iowa, the Grand Master was greatly encouraged by the fine Masonic spirit that prevailed, but he points out that in spite of a picture of optimism there are still many weak Lodges and describes a condition which is quite applicable to some of our Manitoba Lodges, he says:

"I have been somewhat disappointed to find some lodges throughout the state that take little or no interest in group activities and still others that do not make use of the services that the Masonic Service Committee is prepared to render to the local lodges. This is indeed a mistake on the part of the leadership of such lodges.

"A Masonic lodge will make but little contribution in the community it serves if it meets only in stated communications for the purpose of paying bills and carrying on the business affairs of the lodge. To progress, a lodge must prepare a real programme that will serve the entire membership, recognizing the fact that we have in our membership a cross-section of life. We do not all appreciate the same kind of programmes: some are interested in Ritual, some in Masonic talks, others in social entertainment, and so forth.

A well-rounded programme will meet the desire of the different groups, and, when this is done, it will bring about an increased Masonic interest.

I commend to the subordinate lodge that it give serious thought to this subject, to the end that its programme, when prepared and carried out, will be both interesting and instructive. This problem is largely one of leadership, which the individual lodge should seek to correct.

The Grand Master records a meeting held in the Masonic Temple, Des Moines, on Monday, September 25th, 1939, for the purpose of receiving M.W. Bro. William D. Lawrence, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and other distinguished guests from Manitoba and points in United States, who were in Des Moines attending a communication of Royal Arch Masons, over 500 were in attendance. M.W. Bro. Lawrence also made a radio address while in Des Moines.

On September 20th, 1939, a special communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa was held for the purpose of laying the cornerstone of Buchanan County Court House.

Three Masonic Halls were dedicated at special communications during the year, Independence Lodge No. 87, at Independence; Trowel Lodge No. 216 at La Porte City and Delta Lodge No. 356 at Dallas Centre.

Ernest R. Moore, Past Grand Master, Rapid City, Iowa, who does an excellent job of reviewing, covered Manitoba very thoroughly giving us liberal space. He has this to say about our own R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr, Brandon, Manitoba, who has so faithfully reviewed for Manitoba, unassisted, for so many years. Quote: "R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr furnished the Masonic Reviews, his well expressed reports are short, terseness emphasized; yet they will carry to those for whom they were written sufficient on what is transpiring elsewhere. Iowa gets half a page which is about the average and is quite sufficient."

The 98th Annual Communication is to be held at Council Bluffs, second Wednesday of June 1941.

IRELAND, 1940—

The Grand Lodge of Ireland met on St. John's Day, December 27th, 1940, in the City of Dublin. The Deputy Grand Master R.W. Bro. Raymond Brooke presiding.

From the Grand Secretary's Report we find a Resolution passed by Grand Lodge on "Directions as to closing meetings during War."

"During the present Emergency unless and until Grand Lodge shall otherwise determine, the M.W. Grand Master and the R.W. the D.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Ireland and the Provincial Grand Masters in their respective Provinces shall have authority to direct that the presiding Officer of any Lodge meeting under the authority of a Warrant from the Grand Lodge of Ireland within the Jurisdiction of any of them respectfully, shall have full power to dispense with the formal ceremony of closing the Lodge and to declare the Lodge closed, and to close it forwith, if, in his discretion he shall deem it expedient so to do."

AFFILIATION FROM GRAND LODGE THAT HAD BEEN SUPPRESSED

A Subordinate Lodge asked as to the standing of a Brother for affiliation from a Grand Lodge that had been suppressed. The Board made the following ruling:

If a Brother seeks affiliation from a Constiaution that has been suppressed or which has ceased to work, but which was in Amity and exchanged Representatives with the Grand Lodge of Ireland up to the time of its supression or cessation, he must produce his Certificate or a document corresponding thereto, showing that he was a Mason in good standing before the suppression or cessation of the Constitution under which he was initiated, and the Lodge to which he wishes to affiliate must make all possible enquiries about him. The result of these enquiries, must be sent to the Grand Secretary, and the Brother concerned shall not be ballotted for until the permission of the Grand Master or the Deputy Grand Master shall have been given.

The reports of the Provincial Grand Lodges shows Irish Masonry at home and abroad to be in a prosperous condition.

KANSAS, 1941—

The 85th Annual Communication of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Kansas assembled in Wichita, on February 12th,

1941, a considerable number of lodges being represented. The Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form after prayer by Bro. Wm. I. Hastey, Grand Chaplain.

Bro. Charley B. Erskine was in attendance as Grand Representative from Manitoba.

The Grand Master's address shows the sincerity of purpose which marks his ability during his term of office. He brings into full view matters of vital concern to the general welfare of the Craft and each individual member. From the Grand Master's address we quote the following:

The American has enjoyed a higher degree of liberty perhaps than the citizen of any other country in the world, but to some degree the peoples of all the world have striven and secured greater and greater personal freedom through all of the years.

And then, out of the economic panic and distress that engulfed Europe, there came into being a theory of government that had for its basic idea, the thought that there should be a drastic curtailment of their personal liberties. This new doctrine assumes that the individual is not a personality created in the image and likeness of God, but only a unit of energy to be absorbed into the machinery of the state. This idea takes from the citizen the liberties that make life dear, and by planning and regimenting his life, robs him of initiative and the right to think for himself. This totalitarian doctrine of government, not only decrees the physical process of his living but establishes a code of morals that he must follow. It proclaims itself to be the religion he must believe in and its leaders assume to be infallible. To maintain their hideous grip on their downtrodden people, these leaders must make a constant demonstration of might and power and so they have built up huge war machines, and have unleashed this powerful army upon the defenseless and unprepared neighbor nations. These nations, believing in the sanctity of treaties and in morality and decency among nations, were caught off guard and fell easy prey to the lightning war that crashed upon them. As each nation came under the yoke, Freemasonry was proscribed and Freemasons banished or sent to concentration camps. Lodges were broken up and the property of the lodges confiscated or destroyed.

But in his lust for power and conquest, the dictator overlooked one very important detail and that was that in the heart of the great Masonic Nation, England, there was a courage, a loyalty to ideal, a love of liberty that knew no bounds and a willingness to fight to the end for their cause of right, liberty and justice, and

the juggernaut that had rolled over the countries of the continent one by one, came to an abrupt halt when it met the might of Great Britain, and we here in America, may well be proud that our Masonic origin was in that gallant country, that today is waging a terrible war and bearing up under unthinkable torture, that democratic ideals may not be entirely eradicated from the face of the earth.

We Kansas Masons, meeting here in the peaceful City of Wichita, discussing the problems of our Craft, may feel far removed from the theatre of war but, my Brethren, with modern military equipment, time and distance are easily annihilated and none of us can possibly know how close we are to, or how soon we may be in the very war that England is waging today. Our hopes, our faith, our prayers are all for the success of England and the cause she represents. It is a just cause and it must prevail or freedom will be lost to many peoples for generations beyond the possibility of present enumeration.

We have seen in the last year, our great country embark on an unprecedented defense programme. We are building ships, planes, tanks and guns. We have seen for the first time in our history, a peacetime conscription of our manpower. We have seen our boys mobilized. All of these military preparations are necessary and should be carried on with the utmost speed and efficiency, but there is another preparation for the crisis that I want to call to your attention this morning. While those in authority prepare the nation with its military might, let us as Masons, make it our programme to prepare the people in their hearts to know and understand the great issue that is at stake in the war. It is a war that will decide whether the inhabitants of the world will go on as free peoples, shaping their own lives and enjoying all of the personal liberties that we have known or whether they will again be crushed down in the slavery of the dark ages. The issue is plain and there can be no decision until one side is wholly victorious.

The Mason, firm in his reliance on the Great Architect, believing in the doctrine that the right must prevail, and strong in his love of liberty, can choose but one side in the controversy and that is the side of Democracy. Only under a free government can Masonry survive and flourish. Only under a democracy can the individual develop himself. Only under a democracy can we truly have a government of, for and by the people. Let us as Masons, carry on the battle for freedom and democracy, as our Masonic forefathers carried it on in the beginning of this nation's life. Let us work for unity among all of our people. Let us practice the tenets of Masonry, and be tolerant, loyal, patriotic citizens of this great country. Let us put the good of the country ahead of all

other consideration. Let us use all of our strength, physical, moral, and mental on the side of the American way of life. Let us have courage and faith, and cast from us all fear and doubt. We know that the American way of life is the human way of life, and that out of all the darkness, and fog and mist that obscure the sun today, yet behind the darkness, the sun is still shining and in God's own good time, the clouds will roll away and once more into the world will come the true Light of Intelligence and Reason, of Morality and Decency among nations and the Great Prince of Peace will again bring into this world, the true Masonic doctrine of Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men, and Democracy, triumphant, will march around the entire world and all peoples, everywhere, will continue their steady progression toward a greater state of freedom, a greater intelligence, a greater conception of the Supreme Architect. Then man, approaching perfection step by step, will realize that he is created in the image and likeness of his Creator and will so conduct himself that in truth there will be established here on earth, a Brotherhood of Man and a Fatherhood of God.

During the year he presented a number of 50 and 25 year buttons to members to whom this honor was due.

Bro. Raymond A. Schwegler delivered the Annual Oration and took as his subject "The Faith that is within You."

The report on the Foreign Correspondence Committee was given by M.W. Bro. Otto R. Souders. His reviews are short and very worth while reading. Manitoba for 1940 received attention and he quoted from the address of M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence. He considered this a very fine address and also mentioned the address of the Grand Chaplain.

KENTUCKY, 1940—

The 140th Annual Communication was called to order at 10:00 o'clock a.m. Tuesday, October 15th, 1940, M.W. Bro. B. Hodgin presiding.

The Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form on the M.M. Degree by R.W. Bro. Hugh McLellan, Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Master reports the use of "Key Men" which would seem to be a similar office to our District Deputy Grand Masters.

KEY MEN

"This system of appointing Key Men to serve as stewards for the Grand Lodge in all sections of the state is an operative plan. The Key Men are of invaluable service to the Grand Master and to other Grand Lodge Officers. They are in a position to ascertain the facts and conditions of any given situation in a lodge in their jurisdiction, and they apprise the Grand Master of these conditions. Thus the Grand Master is able to make recommendations, which, in his opinion, are for the best for those concerned.

"In my opinion a good Key Man meets the following requirements: The Key Man is the personal representative of the Grand Master in the district over which he presides, and he is a source of wisdom and a fount of inspiration for all Masonic activities within his district. It is his duty to visit all lodges in his district, to encourage and to strengthen the brethren to greater heights of endeavor, and at the end of the year to make a report of his stewardship to the Grand Master.

"Through their District Meetings the Masons in attendance are aroused, stimulated, and inspired to be better Masons. Since Master Mason's Degree work is done at some of the District Meetings, the Craft is afforded an opportunity to witness the character of ritualistic work that is being done in the different sections of the state. Because we have no uniform ritual in Kentucky, one may see different interpretations and constructions based upon the three degrees. There is arranged, at some of these gatherings, programmes of such instructional nature that they give the Grand Lodge Officers an opportunity to deliver spell-binding orations. In these addresses we either soar to the ethereal or descend to the abyss. In all seriousness, Brothers, your Key Men are worth their salt and should be continued. Of course, Key Men should be changed from time to time, and able Masons, and there are many, can be given an opportunity, and should be given an opportunity, to demonstrate their ability and worth as leaders."

Six Lodges were reported as having been consolidated. From the Grand Master "Decisions" we cull the following:

"Page 91 of our Constitution reads as follows: 'A demit severs the relation between the lodge and the member absolutely. To become a member of the same lodge again he must petition and

file his Certificate of Demit the same as if he should apply to any other lodge.' The demit, in my opinion, is permanently good until surrendered. It is surrendered when you are accepted in a bona-fide lodge.

The following ruling was made in answer to the question of Bro. John Weldon Hall, Key Man for District No. 2, with reference to how the apron should be worn. The apron should be worn in all degrees as prescribed by the Constitution, which is as follows:

"Regulation 18. The apron is to be worn in full view, flowing freely, and as follows: first degree, bib up; second degree bib down, third degree bib down; except that when worn as a mark of distinction, the left lower corner should be tucked up."

"With reference to a straight jacket for a degree team, will state that I do not approve of a straight jacket but recommend that an overall coat or its equivalent be used to protect the clothing."

"This opinion was given in answer to a request from Bro. Harry S. Johnson, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Ohio, F. & A.M.

"It is my opinion that since the Grand Lodge of Kentucky was in amity with the Grand Lodge of Vienna prior to the Nazi invasion of Austria, and since Bro. Deutsch holds a demit from the said Grand Lodge, and since the Grand Lodge of New York has certified that such demit was good for visitation or affiliation in any of the New York Lodges for a period of six months from April, 1940, it is my opinion that a Kentucky Lodge adjacent to Cincinnati could accept the application of this brother and admit him to membership. I, too, feel that we should go the length of the cable-tow to extend Masonic fellowship to these brethren who have been sorely oppressed as well as suppressed."

From the summary of Statistics we find the number of Lodges to be 512 with a membership of 42,348. An increase of 59.

AMBULANCE FOR ENGLAND

"Capt. John Henry Cowles (400) P.G.M. and Sovereign Grand Commander, Supreme Council, A.A.S.R. Southern Jurisdiction, addressed the Grand Lodge expressing his delight at being present on his biennial visit with the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction. His message on Masonry in foreign jurisdictions and the feasibility of the Masons of this Grand Jurisdiction presenting to the Grand

Lodge of England an ambulance to be used in the war, the same to cost $1,350.00 and his generous offer to subscribe $500.00 of this amount personally was met with hearty approvel.

"On motion of Bro. J. Howard Voige (808), Bro. Cowles was given a rising vote of thanks for his instructive and educational address and his generous offer.

"On motion of Bro. John L. Vest (719) the incoming Grand Master was authorized to send to each subordinate Lodge a letter of appeal for donations to supplement the $500.00 to be donated by P.G.M. John H. Cowles to purchase an ambulance to be sent to the Grand Lodge of England for use in the war."

A very generous offer which will be greatly appreciated.

W. Bro. Allen C. Terhune, P.M. submits the report of the Committee on Proceedings of Grand Lodges, which includes a review of Manitoba for 1939.

LOUISIANA, 1940—

129th Annual Communication, New Orleans, February 12th, 13th, 14th, 1940. Grand Master presiding, M.W. Bro. Robert H. Brooks; Grand Master Elected, M.W. Bro. J. Chris Nungesser; Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. D. Peter Laguens Jr., New Orleans. Lodges 247; Members 20,629; Loss 52. Largest Lodge, Caddo Lodge No. 68, Shreveport, 519 members. Smallest Lodge, Dubach Lodge No. 132, Newport, 9 members. Grand Representative of Manitoba not present.

The one hundred and twenty-nineth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana was opened February 12th, 1940, at 2:00 o'clock p.m., by M.W. Brother Robert H. Brooks, Grand Master with 229 Lodges represented. The invocation given by acting Chaplain Brother A. J. Sherer was followed by the presentation of an United States flag to the Grand Lodge by W. Bro. W. E. Owen of Ruston Lodge No. 106.

Seventeen Past Grand Masters answered the roll call.

Distinguished visitors were present from Massachusetts, Nebraska, New York and Texas.

In his address the Grand Master gave an interesting account of his many activities during his term of office. Twenty-six rulings were recorded and decisions handed down by the Grand Master who recommended that this issue could be substantially reduced if the brethren would make a deeper study of the code.

Under foreign journeyings he records one event of interest when he attended the meeting of the Masonic Service Association and listened to an address by R.W. Rev. Joseph Fort Newton, Chaplain of the Association.

The many visitations of the Grand Master were recorded only briefly for want of space.

It was his privilege while Grand Master to confer the Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft and Master Mason degree on his youngest son John Robinson Brooks, having previously conferred degrees on his other two sons Robert Jr. and James L., making eligible members of his immediate family 100%.

The most outstanding Masonic meeting of the year was that held Sunday morning, June 11th, at Giddens Castle Hill thirteen miles east of Shreveport at 5.00 a.m., in a Sunrise Meeting where the Master Mason degree was conferred on two candidates. Attendance was estimated to have been from 750 to 1000 Master Masons.

One cornerstone was laid, four Masonic halls dedicated, one Lodge forfeited its charter and duplicate charters issued four Lodges.

The report of the Trustees on the Masonic Home for children at Alexandria shows daily average of 75 children housed during the year with an expenditure for maintenance of $25,507.18, a yearly per capita of $367.99, an increase over 1939.

No reviews.

MAINE, 1940—

The One Hundred and Twenty-first Annual Communication was convened in Portland on May 7th, 1940, by M.W. Bro. George F. Giddings, Grand Master.

Three Special Communications were held during the year when one cornerstone was laid and two Masonic Halls dedicated.

The Address of the Grand Master recites in detail what he has accomplished and several situations which he hopes may be remedied in the future.

On the question of membership he admonishes the officers of all Lodges to carefully investigate the applications of all candidates, and to remember that it is quality and not quantity that is desired and to profit by the experience, during and immediately following the World War:

"The report of the Chairman of the Distributions Committee of our Charity Fund shows that for the period from May 1, 1939, to April 1, 1940, there was expended from that fund the amount of $26,208.23 or $727.75 more than during the previous year. Two hundred and eighty-one persons have been assisted, or thirty-two less than last year.

"The Subordinate Lodges paid during the same period from their funds the sum of $12,746.00 or $543.00 more than during the year previous."

ANNUAL DUES

"A compilation from the Annual proceedings of the Grand Lodge for 1939 shows there are 206 Subordinate Lodges with annual dues ranging from $10.00 down to $1.75 the average being $3.36. Fifty-three of the 206 Lodges, or only 25.72% have dues less than $3.00. With dues less than that amount, after paying fifty cents to the Grand Lodge for the Charity Fund and Fifty cents for Grand Lodge general expenses, the balance is far too small to make an aggregate sufficient for the proper functioning of a Lodge. A lodge is but a business organization with a Charter, by-laws, officers and with income and expenses. When the expenditure of a business organization is more than its income for a considerable time, then bankruptcy inevitably follows. The comparable course of a lodge is the revocation of its charter. Many lodges need more money if they are to continue."

The Grand Master recommends that

"at this Annual Communication, the Grand Lodge, by resolution or otherwise, fix the minimum annual dues of the lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction at not less than three dollars."

The Grand Master also reports that during his two years at official visitations, he has been received with Private, Public and Grand Honors, evidently they have been given in various ways, and now he wants them standardized, a special Committee has been appointed for this purpose.

Bro. Porter A. Roberts answered as the representative for Manitoba.

From the returns we note that there are 206 Lodges with a membership of 35,132.

The Report of Correspondence is submitted by Bro. Ashley A. Smith. His remarks are noted regarding Maine not being included in our review. However, a copy had not come to the reviewers desk in time for inclusion.

MARYLAND, 1940—

The Semi-annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held May 21st, 1940, in Baltimore. M.W. Bro. John H. Hessey, Grand Master, presiding.

From the Grand Master's address we quote the following:

"It has been said that Masonry today has no attraction to youth and that something should be done whereby Masonry may be advanced and brought to the knowledge of those who are not members. A survey by the Masonic Service Association shows that 42 per cent. of the applicants for the Masonic Fraternity are between the ages of 21 and 30, and that 63 per cent. of the

applicants are between the ages of 21 and 35. This should prove that youth is today knocking at our door. We hope that it will continue to do so with increasing vigor and with a sincere desire to live by the principles for which this Fraternity has so long stood.

"While the strength of Masonry does not lie in its numbers but rather in the interest which each member manifests, it is nevertheless interesting to note its rise and fall. It is interesting to note the influx during the last world war. The pendulum swung upward with great rapidity, too great indeed. I might say that during the years 1920 and 1921 we admitted as members of this Fraternity over nine thousand persons. When the Depression began, the pendulum started to swing the other way and swept backward almost as rapidly as it had gone forward, but its movement has slowed and I foresee that it will soon stop and start again on the upward grade."

The following example might well be copied in other Jurisdictions as the reviewer thinks that there is not enough attention paid to the fitness of Worshipful Masters Elect to occupy the Chair.

EXAMINATIONS OF WORSHIPFUL MASTERS ELECT

"You are familiar with the fact that I have appointed a Committee on Examination of Worshipful Masters elect in the law, thereby reviving an old custom and one which has proven beneficial to the Fraternity. This Committee did excellent work in a very short space of time in December. While those appearing before the Committee are, generally speaking, well qualified to act as Master, yet it is felt that their attention has not always been directed to matters in which they were to be examined, with the result that much time has been spent on matters which are not of vital importance. The Committee suggested that it might be well to prepare a guide for the Worshipful Masters, and at a meeting of the Masters and Secretaries held on February 14, 1940, this matter was discussed, and it was the unanimous opinion of all present that such a procedure would undoubtedly be helpful. This Committee has expressed a willingness to compile the guide and such general information as may be helpful, after which it will be printed, and as the cost will be small, I recommend that approval be given to the publication of the guide. A report of the Committee will be submitted this evening for your consideration, and action will then be taken thereon."

Committee on Examination of Worshipful Masters in the Law

Baltimore, Md., November 20, 1940.

Brother John H. Hessey,

Most Worshipful Grand Master of
Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Maryland.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brother:

Your Committee on Examination of Worshipful Masters in the Law, in pursuance of the plan approved by the Grand Lodge at its May Communication, respectfully reports that, after thorough examination of the MASONIC CODE, 23RD ARTICLE, and STANDING RESOLUTIONS, they prepared a series of questions to be used as and for an examination of Worshipful Masters in Masonic Law which would adequately cover the important matters pertaining to the government of a Masonic Lodge.

These questions, after having been submitted to, and approved by, the Most Worshipful Grand Master have been printed in booklet form, and are ready for distribution among the prospective candidates who aspire to be Masters of their respective Lodges.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES W. SKIPPER,
HENRY W. SCHULTHEIS,
KARL H. PELTZ,
ALLAN CLEAVELAND,
Committee on Examination in Law.

The 154th Annual Communication was held on November 19th, 1940, in the City of Baltimore. There were present several distinguished brethren from other Jurisdictions.

The Grand Master reports that an excellent spirit prevails throughout the membership of the Fraternity.

No Reviews.

MASSACHUSETTS, 1939—

Grand Lodge of Massachusetts holds quarterlies, with Installation and stated Communication, December 27th, 1939, Feast of Saint John the Evangelist.

At the Quarterly Communication, May 8th, 1939, Manitoba was represented by R.W. Bro. Edwin O. Childs.

Grand Master Joseph Earl Perry, made some interesting remarks regarding his goodwill tour to South and Central America, and your reviewer agrees with him that the Grand Lodges of United States and Canada may find some way to send representatives to visit Grand Lodges of Southern countries. Careful preparation would be required in trying to carry out one or more tours to cover Central America, and the Pacific and on the Atlantic side of South America.

Under present world conditions we think that this should be given serious thought by leaders of Grand Lodges. Massachusetts contributed $1000 to the Grand Lodge of Chile and $250 to their own D.D.G.M. for use in assisting in the Chile Earthquake Relief Fund.

The Grand Master also made timely remarks regarding "Prizes and Chances, otherwise Gambling."

> There are many who believe that the predominant drift of our times is toward a desire to get something for nothing, to rely on others rather than on one's efforts. This disintegrating influence reveals itself not only in a craving for collective forms of government to promote getting rather than giving but in a myriad of other forms even including religious and charitable organizations that are hypocritical enough to rely on the gambling spirit rather than on the giving spirit. Even at the risk of being deemed narrow and old-fashioned, Freemasonry must stand firm against this dangerous tendency. There is probably no Lodge in the country, certainly not in this Jurisdiction, that could not be financially independent if its members wished to contribute only a portion of what they spend in personal indulgences. Reliance on the public's gambling instinct is not a necessary way to finance ourselves. It

is only the easiest way. In the long run it is also a disastrous way. Fortunately the overwhelming proportion of our Lodges have always refrained from such activities. I suggest for your adoption the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That it is inconsistent with the professions and purposes of Freemasonry for any Masonic Body to promote, participate in, or profit by any lottery, game of chance, door prize, or other device or activity whereby the individual participant may be able, through the element of luck or chance, to win a greater value than he pays, and each Masonic body within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge is hereby enjoined to observe the letter and the spirit of this Resolution; and

Be it further Resolved that all so-called collateral bodies, clubs, or other organizations in Massachusetts whose membership is related to or dependent on Masonic Membership, or which in the public mind are likely to be regarded as Masonic organizations, are requested, and all individual Masons owing allegiance to this Grand Lodge are enjoined to respect the purpose of this Resolution.

Application for the recognition of the National Grand Lodge of Palestine was received, but the committee recommended that recognition be declined. Recognition has been extended to the National Grand Lodge of Colombia, seat at Cartegena, also to the National Grand Lodge of Colombia, seat at Baranqilla. And that arrangements be made for the exchange of Representatives.

On May 24th, the Grand Master delivered a radio address on "Freemasonry and Citizenship," in which the "declaration of principles was read, and something of the origin, nature, and purpose of Freemasonry was presented." With this introduction M.W. Bro. Frederick W. Hamilton, Grand Secretary, spoke on "The Masonic Fraternity," describing it as the non-Mason might see it.

At the National Communication held September 15th, 1939, Grand Master Perry delivered an inspiring address from which we cull his remarks with regard to "Freemasonry in a World at War."

FREEMASONRY IN A WORLD AT WAR

"Civilization somewhat resembles a great river. The crystal distillations of melting snows at the source and the muddy waters at the mouth are parts of the same stream. So, too, are the falling drops in a Niagara and the mists that rise above it. Whether in savage rapids or quiet eddies, between meadowed banks or canyoned walls, whether rushing or meandering, traffic laden or wilderness-lost, it is still the same living unity. Nothing is more transient than the geographical positions of the separate drops or their relationships to each other, yet nothing is more eternal than the river as a whole. From generation to generation, from age to age, without even an instantaneous interruption, the river lives on. So long as two invisible particles of hydrogen and one invisible particle of oxygen remain true to themselves, so long will the river endure, whatever its external form may be.

So. too, as long as human beings exist there will be some form of civilization. Individual and group relatonships are transient, varying stages of civilization move upward or downward, but the stream of human life goes on and on.

The world is again in the midst of a great military conflict. Our Masonic Brethren are bearing arms in each of the warring armies. It is widely said and probably literally true that no one wanted war. Everyone would have preferred to have achieved his objectives without war. To all war has thus seemed to be a last resort, but still the lesser evil. What are those objectives? What are those greater evils? Is war the lesser evil? Are those objectives worthy, and if so are they unattainable except by war? Is there no better way?

Peace will come. Life will go on. But what of Freemasonry while the world is at war, while the river is in the rapids, or plunging over the falls?

Freemasonry is a way of thinking, and living, and acting; a profession of faith in high principles; a bold experiment in friendship. We profess, we try to practice, tolerance, and justice, and fortitude; truth, and honor, and kindliness; individual dignity, personal integrity, and universal brotherhood.

These are no weak and wishful sentiments. They call for greater strength and courage than is required to yield to physical conflict. They are, we Masons believe, essential to the preservation of the best in our civilization. No one can say whether this nation may ultimately decide that even war is the lesser evil, but whether we are drawn into the conflict or not, we as Masons must

seek to remain true to our high professions. We must live them. We must sacrifice for them. The first lesson in the first lecture of the First Degree is that we should learn to subdue our passions and improve ourselves in Masonry. Let us then refuse to yield to the passions of hatred, prejudice, intolerance, anger. Let us improve ourselves in Masonry, for no greater need hath humanity than to live up to its noblest aspirations, high among which are the aspirations of the Masonic philosophy of life.

This is not the beginning of the end of our civilization. It is the beginning of a new era. That new era may be vastly superior to anything that has gone before. What it shall be depends on you and me and the rest of mankind. Freemasonry in a world at war is Freemasonry with an unlimited opportunity for good.

He also mentioned his trip to the Grand Lodge of North Dakota at its Golden Jubilee Ceremony held at Grand Forks where he met our beloved M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Grand Master of Manitoba, who brought the greetings of all the Canadian Masons of whom a number were present. He also spoke at some length on his visit to the British Isles, and his visit to the United Grand Lodge of England when he attended the Installation of H.R.H. the Duke of Kent as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. The Grand Master reports that he travelled nearly 20,000 miles extending Masonic Good wishes in other Jurisdictions: Venezuela, Colombia, Republic of Panama, Scotland, England, Ireland, Canal Zone, Maine, Maryland, New York, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Washington, D.C.

On December 27th, 1939, State Communication was held for the purpose of installing the Grand Officers and celebrating the Feast of Saint John the Evangelist.

The principal speakers at this time were M.W. Bro. Herschel H. Rose, P.G.M., West Virginia, and W. Bro. Frank L. Eversull of North Dakota. Both delivered eloquent addresses and were greatly enjoyed by those present.

No reviews.

MASSACHUSETTS, 1940—

Quarterly Communications were held on March 13th, June 12th, September 11th, December 11th, at all of which M.W. Bro. Joseph E. Perry, Grand Master, presided.

Fourteen special Communications were held to observe and celebrate Anniversaries of the founding of 13 Lodges and the Dedication of one Temple. The Grand Master during the year delivered a number of inspiring and instructive addresses at those meetings also an interesting account of his many duties performed throughout the year. From his reports we quote the following:

1600 YEARS OF MASONRY

On June first, Mount Tom Lodge at Holyoke, under the leadership of Right Worshipful Ronald Astley, held an unusual meeting. The Third Degree was exemplified by a degree team consisting of men from sixteen different Lodges and nine different Districts, the twenty-one officers who participated averaging over 76 years of age. All of them were Past Masters or Past District Deputy Grand Masters. The youngest was 64, the eldest was Worshipful John W. Woods, of Belcher Lodge, aged 93, who gave the charge to the candidate. With only such rehearsal as could be held during the afternoon, they presented what was described as "one of the finest Third Degrees ever exemplified." Many there were who said, "It was the finest Masonic meeting I ever attended." The photograph of the degree team and the programme are now on file in the Grand Lodge archives. The interest was so great that the capacity of the Lodge-room was exceeded and some of the Brethren had to be denied admission for lack of room. The outstanding feature, however, was not the size of the meeting or the age of the men or even the fact that their combined ages aggregated more than sixteen centuries. It was the inspiring atmosphere of dignity and devotion which no younger or less devoted group of officers could have created.

GLEANINGS FROM THE LODGES

From time to time there come to the attention of the Grand Master customs and methods of individual Lodges that seem worth passing along for the information and perhaps the emulation of other Lodges. In this address reference is made to some such

customs that prevail in one of our oldest Lodges. Other Lodges are invited to send in information as to any of their own customs which might be of interest to the Craft in general.

MEMBERS' WIDOWS

The Master and Wardens of King Solomon's Lodge in Somerville have for years called on all the members' widows who live in or near Boston. These calls are usually made on the Saturday and Sunday before Thanksgiving. In earlier years the Lodge gave a five-dollar gold piece to each one but in recent years a potted plant has been given. A few years ago a questionnaire was sent to all on the calling list to see whether they wished the custom to continue, and the response was unanimously and enthusiastically in the affirmative. These visits, and the anticipation and recollection of them, do so much to brighten the lives of the beneficiaries that the custom is worthy of more general adoption.

The Board of Masonic Relief report the following amounts expended for charity by the Fraternity for the year as follows:

Masonic Home	$83,800.91
Masonic Hospital	51,310.91
Administration	13,745.79
Allowance to Residents	4,464.00
Permanent Improvements	4,695.30

General Charities

Lodge Funds as reported	68,491.16	
Sundry Grand Lodge Funds	18,304.15	
		86,795.31
Total expenditures for benevolent purposes,		$244,812.22

No reviews.

MEXICO, 1940—

The York Grand Lodge of Mexico held their 80th Annual Communication in the City of Pachuca, Hgo, on the 21st day of March, 1940.

12 Constituent Lodges being represented the M.W. Grand Master Bro. Jacob Stump opened the Communication in Ample Form. Bro. R. B. E. Turnbull was in attendance as Manitoba's Grand Representative.

From the Grand Master's Address we quote:

"It is an old adage that distant fields seem greenest. In like manner, it has been customary always to consider the present as the hardest of all hard times. No one can deny, however, that today we are in truth passing through a most difficult epoch. If you survey your thoughts, you will find that they no longer synchronise with those of many who formerly seemed to share views similar to your own. A different notion seems to have sprung up as to what constitutes justice and righteousness. Things go so far that at times we wonder whether we hear aright or whether we are in another world new and unknown to us.

"It is at times such as these that we may gauge whether our teachings—the teachings of our beloved institution—have become an integral part of our mentality. It is in such times as these that we realize that though the noblest impulses of man are being trampled under foot, yet the high ideals, the sublime teachings of our Order, will uphold us until we arrive at that peaceful harbor 'where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest.'

"The fury of war is again devastating Europe, and while for the present it appears to be circumscribed to that continent, yet there is no certainty that it will remain so, and even now the whole world is suffering its consequences. It is in troublous times such as these that our tenets and principles should more than ever help to bring relief to suffering humanity; let us by precept and example sow the seed that may one day enlighten our fellow-men."

RECOMMENDATIONS

"1.—That publication of the Proceedings of the M.W. York Grand Lodge of Mexico in its present form, be discontinued, both as a measure of economy and because it seems impossible to have it printed in a reasonable period of time, thus making it obsolete by the time it reaches the hands of the brethren. In lieu thereof, I recommend that all important material derived from the Grand Lodge meeting be published in the Trestle Board."

There are 14 Lodges with a membership of 662.

No reviews.

MICHIGAN, 1940—

The 96th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Michigan was held in Bay City on May 28th and 29th, 1940, by M.W. Bro. Francis B. Lambie, Grand Master.

In his address the Grand Master mentions that there appears to be in Michigan at least, what might be called two schools of thought regarding Freemasonry. One has the idea that Masonry must be brought up to date, in other words it must be streamlined to fit with the times and some would even go so far as to solicit members. The other that the Ancient Landmarks regulations and customs of Freemasonry exemplify that universal morality which is suitable to the inhabitants of every clime, to the man of every creed. To this class the Grand Master belongs.

One new Lodge was added to the roll, and Masonry throughout the Jurisdiction appears to be quite active.

The Foreign Correspondence Committee reported that recognition was granted by the Grand Lodges of Norway and Sweden and Grand Representatives appointed.

There are 512 Lodges with a membership of 110,969.

There are no reviews.

MINNESOTA, 1941—

The 88th Annual Communication of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Ancient and Accepted Masons, was held in the Masonic Temple in the City of St. Paul, January 15th, 1941. During the session 270 Lodges out of 302 on the roll were represented. Rt. W. Bro. Chauncey C. Colton, acting Grand Master, presided.

Among the distinguished visitors were M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, Grand Master of Manitoba. He was accompanied by M.W. Bros. W. D. Lawrence, John T. Boyd, Royal Burritt, Wm. Douglas, Past Grand Masters of Manitoba, and Rt. W. Bros. Geo. R. Calvert, Deputy Grand Master, and J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary of Manitoba.

Early last year the entire Lodges of Minnesota were saddened by the news of the death of Grand Master Milo B. Price when he was on a train en route to a conference of Grand Masters in Washington, D.C. Bro. Price was an outstanding educator and devoted much of his time and talent to Masonry.

During the year one cornerstone was laid.

The Acting Grand Master attended the Annual Communication of Grand Lodges of Manitoba at Winnipeg, on June 5th and 6th, 1940, and reports having enjoyed his visit. The Acting Grand Master also believes that closer bonding of Secretaries and Treasurers would be good business. The reviewer agrees with him in this respect.

With regard to Grand Lodge Offices and Leadership, he thinks that Grand Lodge Officers should be given more work to do during the year in their particular offices, thus enabling them to gain wider experience and make better Grand Masters. With this then in view he has had several Grand Officers meetings during the year for the purpose of going over with them the problems which confronted the Grand Lodge and for getting their opinion on Policies and Methods of Procedure. He has also asked them to attend all meetings that he himself would be unable to attend, and this no doubt would help the Junior Officers to become familiar with the Methods of Procedure.

From the report of the President of the Masonic Home we note that they have been doing good work and it is noted that the opening of the new Infirmary made it possible to increase the number of residents. At the present time there are 74 men, 100 women, of these 17 married couple; 2

residents under 72 years of age; 76 between 70 and 80; 50 between 80 and 90; and 9 between 90 and 100 years of age, and 1, Grandma Howland who will be 100 years of age if she lives until February 15th, of this year. The average age is 78.1.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. C. A. Montgomery, P.G.M., in which was included a fraternal review of Manitoba for 1940.

MISSISSIPPI, 1940—

The 122nd Annual Grand Communication was convened in the City of Vicksburg, on February 13th, 1940.

Grand Master John A. Dantzler presiding. The Grand Master reports that harmony prevails throughout his Jurisdiction and that many of the Lodges have enjoyed a very active year.

One Lodge was constituted and Dispensations were granted to form two new Lodges.

This Grand Lodge started out to have worthy Masons reinstated and as a result show a net gain of 755 members.

Bro. Quarles, who is not an officer of his Lodge, but wanted to work and personally secured 153 re-instatements. This example might well be copied in other Jurisdictions.

The Grand Secretary reported a total membership of 21,822.

The Credentials Committee reported the total votes to be 1,139.

Manitoba for 1939 is courteously reviewed by Bro. Charles H. McCrane Jr.

MISSISSIPPI, 1941—

The 123rd Annual Grand Communication was held at Meridian on February 11th, 1941, by Grand Master M.W. Bro. G. W. Davidson, supported by his full staff.

From the Grand Master's short but businesslike address we notice that four Lodges were consolidated, two Lodges constituted and one cornerstone laid during the year.

He also reports making a number of visits outside his Jurisdiction also visiting Lodges in almost every section of the State.

The Grand Lecturer, Bro. J. Rice Williams reports that he has lectured more than three hundred days during his Masonic year, and also reports that harmony prevails throughout this Grand Jurisdiction.

There are 315 Lodges with a membership of 21,564, a net loss of 258.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is prepared by Bro. C. H. McCrane Jr., in which a fraternal review of Manitoba, 1940, is included.

MISSOURI, 1940—

The one hundred and twentieth annual Communication of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of the State of Missouri was held at St. Louis, on September 24th and 25th, 1940. Most Worshipful Brother Karl M. Vetsburg, opened the proceedings in the presence of a large gathering of representatives and distinguished guests.

The voluminous report of the Grand Master's address testifies to a year of many activities and it would have been interesting to know the mileage covered in the one hundred and three visits made. There would be one hundred and three addresses, also, which would be no mean task for one man.

At the beginning of his term of office the following letter to the Masters, Wardens and all Brethren of all Lodges of Missouri needs no comment:

"At a recent meeting of the District Deputy Grand Masters, held in St. Louis, attention was called to certain pamphlets (among others, one entitled 'Social Justice'), in which unwarranted attacks were made upon Freemasonry and in which Freemasons were referred to as 'Disciples of Satan.' These pamphlets were offered for sale at a large meeting held in St. Louis a short time ago—that meeting being, presumably, for the purpose of discussing the neutrality problem now facing our National Legislators. While the sponsors of that meeting have denied responsibility for the pamphlets, the fact remains that some group is publishing and circulating these attacks widely throughout the nation.

"Recently, also, testimony given before the Dies Committee in its investigation of un-American practices, indicate that certain other groups in our Country are making similar attacks on our Order.

"Attacks of this character are not new. They occur periodically and do not require, and should not be dignified by, a public defence.

"However, as Freemasonry, in its public relationship, is largely individualistic, and its place in public opinion determined by the public's estimate of Freemasons as Citizens, such attacks as the foregoing seem to me to suggest the following reaction by every loyal Freemason namely:

"The greatest care in the election of petitioners; the greatest care in the appointment and election of officers—those key men who represent us in all public functions; a greater loyalty to our Lodge and Order by a more faithful attendance at Lodge meetings, and by upholding the hands of our officers and helping them provide interesting and instructive meetings; a profounder knowledge of the tenets of Freemasonry—learning not only the patent surface significance thereof but also the latent, symbolic and allegorical meanings, making them not merely a ritual for Lodge room use only, but what they are intended to be—a philosophy of life—a code of ethics which each of us, as individuals, should apply:

"In our home life—thereby making us better fathers, sons, husbands and brothers;

"In our social contacts—thereby making us better friends, better neighbors;

"In our business relations—thereby causing us to act upon the square with all mankind;

"In our religious activities—thereby broadening our viewpoint without the slightest sacrifice in our individual beliefs or loyalties creating goodwill between all men, and making the doctrine of human brotherhood a living reality;

"In our communal and public work—thereby making us better, more patriotic Americans—militantly opposing all doctrines subversive of our form of government, and patriotically supporting our great Democracy.

"If all of us, as individuals, will do this, we need have no anxiety for the future of Freemasonry. Our Order will rise to new heights in public opinion and usefulness. We will completely refute all false charges against us and no right-thinking citizen will give such false charges credence.

"I am sure your District Deputy will help you to further the above programme. If I, as Grand Master, can assist, I will gladly do so to the utmost of my ability.

"Fraternally yours,

"KARL M. VETSBURG,
"Grand Master.

"Let this be read in open Lodge at the first meeting after its receipt."

The Grand Secretary of Nebraska, M.W. Brother Lewis E. Smith, in addressing the gathering also states an attack on Masonry by a Jesuit teacher speaking over the radio from W.O.W. in a daily address called the "Creighton Hour". This teacher stated that every drop of blood that had been shed in the Spanish revolution had been shed because of Freemasonry.

Many of the addresses of the distinguished guests also followed the same lines and only the limitation of space in a report such as this forbids quotations of interest which might be given.

POLITICS AND FREEMASONRY

In the Grand Master's address he referred to a letter which was sent out by a Worshipful Master and his senior warden of one of the subordinate lodges:

"Dear Brother:

"Mrs. ————, the wife of our Senior Warden, is a candidate for Republican Committeewoman of the ———— Ward. Any assistance you can give her will be personally appreciated by me.

"Fraternally,

"———— W.M.
"————Lodge No.————"

I immediately wrote both the Master and Senior Warden that the sending of the letter was a violation of Masonic Law--and later proceeded to investigate the charge in accordance with provisions of Sec. 278 of our Grand Lodge By-Laws. Both pleaded that they did not know that the letters were a violation of our Law. Both brethren have been loyal and faithful workers and I feel that suspension from office would be too harsh a punishment for the Worshipful Master. I therefore dismissed the charge. However, in the Report of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, we find the whole of the above reviewed at some length and the following recommendation submitted:

"After due consideration the Committee feels that the Grand Master was too lenient in dismissing the charge against this Worshipful Master, and that some penalty commensurate with the offence committed should be assessed. Therefore, it is our recommendation that the order of the Grand Master dismissing said charge be set aside, and that the incoming Grand Master be directed to designate some suitable Past Master to administer a proper reprimand to Worshipful Brother————such reprimand to be administered in a regular or special communication of————, at a time to be designated by the Grand Master.

"This Grand Lodge has no original jurisdiction over any offense which might have been committed by the Senior Warden, such jurisdiction being vested in the subordinate lodge of which he is a member."

The Committee on Refugee Children reported in part:

"That this Grand Lodge shall receive twenty-five children as may be allotted by the United States Committee for the care of European children.

"That no limitations whatever be placed upon children received as to their race, religion, creed, or relation to Freemasonry."

In the report of the Committee on District Deputy Grand Masters' Report, the following deserves special mention:

"One District Deputy Grand Master reported that he was unable to get his reports in for the reason that the Lodge Secretaries failed to make them out for him. The Lodge Secretary gets the blame for almost everything that goes wrong in the lodge but we do not feel that he should carry the extra burden for failure to make the District Deputy Grand Master's Reports."

A new section was added to the By-Laws to allow Lodges of Research to be formed in the Grand Jurisdiction.

During the session a marker was unveiled and dedicated in front of the Masonic Temple in memory of the Lewis and Clark expedition to the far west.

In the report of the Committee on Necrology the death of M.W. Brother Henry Lamont Adolph, Past Grand Master of Manitoba, is recorded.

Number of Lodges 624. Membership 86,469, Loss 1,030.

Most Worshipful Brother Harry S. Truman was installed as Grand Master for 1940-41, and R.W. Brother Arthur Mather, Grand Secretary.

The Grand Lodge will meet in St. Louis on the 30th day of September, 1941.

MONTANA, 1940—

The Sixty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Montana was opened in the Masonic Temple in Butte, on August 21st, 1940.

The Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Edwin Fredlund, with prayer by Grand Chaplain, at nine o'clock a.m. The Masonic Chorus of Butte sang three numbers.

M.W. Bro. Eugene Naylor, Grand Master of North Dakota; R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary of Saskatchewan; M.W. Bro. O. A. Brooks, Grand Master of Saskatchewan; R.W. Bro. Carl H. Claudy, Junior Grand Warden of the District of Columbia and Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association; M.W. Bro. William J. Haines, Grand Master of Wyoming; M.W. Bro. W. Wade Wilson, Grand Master of Idaho; W. Bro. John Smith, District Deputy Grand Master of Washington, and W. Bro. Henry Carver, Grand Tyler of Nebraska, were welcomed by the Grand Master and invited to the Grand East. Each of them later addressed Grand Lodge briefly.

Three special Grand Lodge Communications were held during the year, two dedicating new Masonic Temples at Harlem and Whitehall and also the laying of the corner-stone at Whitehall Masonic Temple.

It is noticed in the Grand Master's address that many visits were made during his year in office, two were made to Canadian Lodges and in his numerous duties time was found to install the officers in 34 constituent Lodges. Of his Official Visitations he says:

"The share of pleasure and happy occasions which comes to a Grand Master when visiting the brethren of the constituent lodges, is probably not overshadowed by any other of the pleasant duties he assumes. To me this part of the work has been most happily enjoyed.

"I am glad to be able to report that in general, the condition of the Craft is good; peace and harmony prevail throughout our Grand Jurisdiction, and during the past two years, or more, we have been moving in the direction of progress, with less suspensions of members, while there has also been some increase in degree work.

"More interest has been shown by the members in both the larger and the smaller Lodges and the average attendance has been gradually advancing. Last year our Grand Secretary's report disclosed a net gain in membership of two, this year one. Those are small gains, to be sure, but nevertheless, they are gains and not losses and should cause some rejoicing, at least, when we reflect upon the conditions prevailing during the eight years just prior to 1938, when our net losses were staggering, reaching the peak for 1934, to the tune of 659 net loss in membership; and the activity in many of the smaller lodges dwindled to oblivion, making it difficult to muster quorums for Stated Communications, and lodge offices went begging for some members to fill them. Even the suggestions by members of some of the weaker Lodges that they give up their Charters, came to Grand Masters and Associate Grand Officers on several occasions. Those were hectic times in our Montana Masonry and should not be reflected upon, except we fail to appreciate the marked improvement of conditions which has slowly but effectively been working its way back, through the channels of our Educational Work and special efforts of a greater number of Masons who have become more Masonic conscious, augmented to some extent perhaps both by what has occurred to Masonry in Europe during the past few years and by the fear of what may happen in our own beloved Democracy when we fail to exercise that vigilance which is most essentially necessary to preserve our cherished liberty. In any event, it is pleasant to note that our Masonic Ship is moving along on an even keel and true course in a channel of peace and harmony, and that the year before us presents an even better outlook for further development and progress."

M.W. Bro. John T. Orr was elected Grand Master for 1940-41. Membership 17,808.

No reports.

NEBRASKA, 1940—

The 83rd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska was convened by Grand Master M.W. Bro. William J. Breckenridge in Omaha, on June 4th, 1940. 17 Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Master's address is worthy of careful study by all Masons, particularly Lodge Officers. Five corner-stones were laid during the year.

PHYSICAL DISQUALIFICATIONS

13. January 29, 1940. To an inquiry from Craftsmen Lodge No. 314, Lincoln, as to the eligibility of an applicant who has the third and fourth finger of right hand missing and the second finger to the first joint, I held, according to previous decisions, applicant could not be made a Mason.

14. March 25, 1940. To the request of College View Lodge No. 320, Lincoln, as to the possibility of receiving the petition of a man who had lost his right foot several years ago, I held according to previous decisions, applicant could not be made a Mason.

15. April 25, 1940. To the question of the Master of an Omaha Lodge regarding taking the petition of a man with one leg shorter than the other, due to spinal meningitis years ago, and being informed he could comply with our requirements, I instructed the lodge it would be all right to take his petition. (Based on decision No. 9 of M.W. William A. Robertson, 1938.)

These physical disqualifications have been listed here together as I notice this is an item commented on by many of our recent Grand Masters, so I believe this is a matter deserving of considerable study as few Grand Jurisdictions are as strict as Nebraska. When we see capable, bright, and intelligent men being deprived the privileges of Masonry through some slight physical defect or accident, and men who are not likely to become charges on the Fraternity, one wonders if we are as considerate of our fellow men as we should be, as many of these men are the finest kind of material. One Grand Master states he felt a cork leg was a whole lot better than a cork head. Men becoming Masons around the age of fifty and after, are more likely to become charges than those with slight physical defects. See recommendation No. 7.

The Grand Orator, W. Bro. Dr. Alfred V. Hunter, delivered a very fine oration taking for his subject, "Sailing against the Wind."

There are 292 Chartered Lodges with a membership of 31,330.

M.W. Bro. Edwin P. Crites submits the report of the Foreign Correspondence which is in topical form.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1940—

The 75th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia was convened in Glace Bay, on June 12th, 1940, with M.W. Bro. A. J. MacDonald, Grand Master, presiding. Divine Service was held in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church. The sermon was delivered by R.W. Bro. N. D. Kennedy, Grand Chaplain.

From the Grand Master's address:

"As we are today gathered within those peaceful walls we must appreciate the sad plight of our brethren in European countries. When we read of the indignities to which they are subjected and the cruelties they are suffering, our hearts must go out to them in deep sympathy.

"When we last met in annual session we had just passed through the happy experience of welcoming to our Province His Gracious Majesty the King and his beloved Queen Elizabeth.

"At the same time the war clouds were quite visible and gathered rapidly until three months later the storm broke in all its fury and at this date threatens to envelop the whole civilized world.

"During the last twenty years we have witnessed the rise in Europe of new forms of government and of new philosophies of political economy. Shortly after the World War there was evolved in Russia what was at first called Bolshevism out of this has risen that form of political life which has been labelled Communism. At about the same time, in Italy, under the leadership of Mussolini, came Fascism. A few years later, Hitler introduced into Germany, after some years of effort, what we now call the Nazi rule. These three forms of government possess some features of a common nature, as rule by a dictator, with the associated suppression of freedom of thought and action.

"It was soon seen that the rise of dictatorships constituted a real challenge and a grave menace to our democratic states. Those beliefs which were strongly held by democracies were those most despised by the dictator nations. This was especially true of the Nazi idealism. Dependence on the pledged word was of no value, if to break that pledged word suited their purpose. The pleas of Munich were of no avail. The policy of appeasement, so faithfully advocated by England and France proved to be a failure. At last the democracies were compelled to recognize that Hitler proposed to enforce his rule over all Europe. The democracies decided that now they must take their stand in defence of all those ideals which through the centuries they had come to cherish. Again we are at war with Germany; with a Germany activated by the belief that they are the chosen people, destined to direct the destinies of all people and nations; that their system of government is the only real form.

"We as Masons are vitally affected by the teachings and beliefs of Hitlerism. In our ritual we stress the brotherhood of man; that we should be of service to each other; that in the lodge, we meet upon the level. Hitler would substitute for this the supreme authority as vested in the ruler of the country; that all our actions should be at all times under his control; that there is no such thing as equality among men.

Masonry teaches freedom of thought and action; it in no manner interferes with one's views as regards religion and politics. We are all well aware that no such freedom is allowed in a Nazi state.

"These illustrations should suffice to indicate that Masonry and the Nazi belief cannot exist under the same ruler.

"Can it be that we of the democracies are to see the overthrow of all those ideals which we as Masons and as citizens hold as our very birthright? Can we believe for a moment that such ideals are to be replaced by Nazi force? We cannot be Masons and so believe. We as Masons must hold a steadfast belief that the Supreme Architect of the Universe is still our God; that those ideals based upon the teachings of Holy Writ shall and must prevail; that, though we are passing through a critical period, right shall conquer over might; that by grim steadfastness when the outlook seems darkest, and by undaunted courage based on a belief in what is right, democracy shall finally triumph over its foes. Such a creed I would commend to you as Masons to hold and to cherish.

"God in His heaven
All's right with the world.

"Let us here as Masons in annual session assembled reaffirm our loyalty to His Gracious Majesty the King and pray that the Great Architect may ever have him in His Holy Keeping to the end that Peace, Happiness and Prosperity may again be enjoyed on the earth.

"O God of Love, O King of Peace,
Make wars throughout the world to cease
The wrath of sinful man restrain
Give peace, O God, give peace again.' "

The reports of the D.D.G.M.'s show the Craft in this Jurisdiction to be in a healthy condition. During the year 25 Fifty-year Jewels were presented and among the recipients was Bro. Daniel A. McDonald, of San Benito Lodge No. 211 Hollister, California, made a Mason in Queen's Lodge No. 34 Sherbrooke, Guysboro County, May 30th, 1865.

There are 84 Lodges with a membership of 8,358.

No reviews.

NEVADA, 1940—

The 76th Annual Communication was convened at Virginia City, on June 13th, 1940.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Carlson, in his address reported a net gain of 54 in total membership the largest gain since 1929. He also visited every Lodge in his Jurisdiction and found them in good shape, and installed the Officers of 14 of the Lodges. W. Bro. Montrose delivered a very fine oration, taking for his subject "Why be a Mason?" M.W. Bro. E. C. Peterson, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, submitted the report on Fraternal Correspondence. Manitoba for 1939 coming under review.

NEW BRUNSWICK, 1940—

The 73rd Annual Communication was held in the City of Saint John, on the 22nd of August, 1940.

R.W. Bro. R. Donald Stewart, Deputy Grand Master, presiding.

Tribute was paid to the late esteemed Grand Master, John Thornton, the first time that a Grand Master has been called to the Celestial Lodge above while holding office.

The Grand Secretary reports 44 Lodges with a membership of 5162, a decrease of 62.

The Committee of the Fund of Benevolence reported that nine applications had been received and all aid asked for, $950.00—was granted.

No reviews.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1940—

The 81st Semi-Annual Communication was held in the City of Manchester, on November 21st, 1940.

M.W. Bro. Warren H. Tucker, Grand Master. The principle business at this time appears to have been the exemplifying of degrees.

The Annual Communication was held on May 15th, 1940, in Concord. The Grand Master made many visits in his Jurisdiction among which was a visit to a real veteran Bro. Joseph D. Howe, on the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of his being raised to the Master Mason Degree, at this time the Grand Master had the honor of presenting this grand old man with a special medal, Bro. Howe is approaching his ninety-ninth birthday and is still hale and hearty. We wish him good health to wear his decoration.

The reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters show that they have been giving close attention to their duties during the year. From the report of Returns there are 81 Lodges with a total membership of 12,960. All Lodges are being circularized with a view of obtaining an expression of opinion on the matter of presenting special buttons for Twenty-five year members.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. J. Melvin Dresser, P.G.M., who fraternally reviews Manitoba for 1939.

NEW JERSEY, 1940—

Emergent Communications were held April 29th, 1939, and November 18th, 1939, both for cornerstone layings.

The 153rd Annual Communication was held in Trenton, on April 17th, 1940. M.W. Bro. Joseph C. Imhoff, Grand Master, presiding. Twenty-three Past Grand Masters were present. R.W. Bro. James F. Russell, Manitoba's representative was present.

From the Grand Master's Address:

AGE OF APPLICANTS

"The attention of the brethren is directed to the consideration of the age of applicants to the fraternity. The experience in recent years of Masonic Home and Charity Foundation in considering applicants for admission to the Home or for receiving assistance from the Charity Foundation has been that a number of the applicants, while of an advanced age, have been members of the fraternity a comparatively short time. When these brethren were made Masons, the lodges were given to understand that they were in independent financial circumstances, and that the likehood of their becoming burdens upon the fraternity was remote.

"The distressing conditions of the past ten years has been a deciding factor in a change in their financial status and we now find the fraternity confronted with requests for support.

"There is a period of reconstruction ahead for Masonry and it would seem from experience that the lodges would do well in passing upon applications, to give consideration to the useful years ahead of those who are applying for our privileges, and select those who can be of service to the Craft."

MEMBERS OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

"Brethren of our jurisdiction are much concerned by changes that have taken place in Masonic Grand Lodges in countries throughout the world. The causes that have brought these changes are not clearly known to us. The problems of first importance to us are how to meet the needs of the worthy members among them and how to properly accommodate them should they apply to our lodge for fraternal visitation.

"Events of recent years have indicated to us that we should be prepared to receive many applications from brethren coming to our shores from countries that are disturbed by tumultuous wars and by changes in every phase of their social and economic life. History teaches us that recovery is slow after the establishment of peace. Opportunity for individual rehabilitation and for orderly progress will be limited by the great burdens placed upon all peoples. These factors may well be considered sufficient reasons for men in those countries to turn their thoughts toward our land of freedom, democracy and equal opportunities. Even now as we may imagine countless numbers making plans to escape their blighted futures after the end of their present difficulties by going to lands where they may start anew and find opportunities for natural expression.

"Our fraternity has ever been helpful to distressed brethren and will continue to distinguish itself by its Charities. Its members realize that while they are possessed by sympathetic natures, their responsibilities to the Craft require that they be zealous in protecting its future by carefully weighing all requests for assistance and admission to its lodges. That we may be prepared to cope with new problems arising in these respects, the following presentation is offered for your consideration.

"Several lodges in our jurisdiction have received applications for affiliation from members of Grand Lodges located in countries where governmental prohibitions have been placed on Masonic activities. The quality of these applicants appears to be good. Permission to visit our lodges has been given in at least one case and after a year of attendance the visitor has petitioned the lodge for membership by affiliation. The applicant does not appear to possess the necessary credentials to satisfy our requirements for admission.

"We gladly extend a fraternal hand to our brethren from other Grand Jurisdictions who conform with our requirements. We exceedingly regret that we cannot waive our requirements and grant them the privilege of visiting our lodge for even a limited period, due to conflict with our restrictions of visitation placed on our own members who have been suspended for the simple infraction of our regulations caused by their failure to pay dues.

"Brethren who cannot prove continuous membership obviously do not pay dues and cannot be favored above our own members in this respect.

"Other Grand Lodges may enact or grant ways and means for these applicants to visit their lodges for a limited time. Our lodges should exercise great care not to admit brethren seeking admission while holding limiting certificates of visitation issued by other jurisdictions.

"Many brethren of Grand Lodges in other countries have lost possession of their fraternal clothing, certificates and other evidence of their affiliation. The only evidence of Masonic membership is their knowledge of the Work. This, unfortunately, is not sufficient for affiliation in our jurisdiction as is required by the Digest of Masonic Laws, Edition of 1931."

The Masonic Reviews are submitted by R.W. Bro. David McGregor, Manitoba for 1939 being dealt with generously.

NEW MEXICO, 1940—

The 63rd Annual Communication was held at Santa Fe, on October 21st, 1940.

M.W. Bro. Louis C. Rockett, Grand Master, presiding. Ten Past Grand Masters were in attendance.

Four special Communications of Grand Lodge were held during the year.

OPEN AIR MEETING

The Brethren of Deming Lodge No. 12 sponsored an Out Door Meeting on the evening of June 19th, in the open

hills north of Gage. The brethren began to assemble about five p.m., with refreshments served nearly an hour later. At eight o'clock the Lodge was opened under special dispensation, and the Third Degree conferred. After the degree work was completed, several short talks were given by the brethren. Right Worshipful Brother Bert A. Robbins, Grand Marshal, and the only Grand Lodge Officer present, except the District Deputy, gave a very fine talk on the effectiveness of the Third Degree in the open on a candidate. There were present approximately one hundred and thirty registered, and probably a few more who had not. Lodges were represented from coast to coast, especially numerous from the adjacent jurisdictions of Texas and Arizona.

A similar open air meeting was staged in California. The officers and members of Canby Cross Lodge No. 679, at Tulelake respectfully requested the Grand Master and other Grand Officers of this Grand Lodge to attend the conferring of the Third Degree in Masonry atop Prisoners Rock near Tulelake at sundown on the evening of Saturday, July 13th, 1940. However, due to the long distances, the kind invitation was respectfully declined.

Thus Masonry uses some of these unusual stunts to endeavor creating more and more interest in the Fraternity."

Freemasonry in New Mexico continues to prosper in a satisfactory condition there are 55 Lodges with a membership of 6062, a net gain of 58. This Jurisdiction is one of the few to show an increase in membership.

The Report of Foreign Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. John Milne, P.G.M., and includes Manitoba for 1939.

NEW SOUTH WALES, 1940—

The 52nd Annual Report covers special and quarterly Communications held from June 23rd, 1939, to June 12th, 1940. 613 Lodges reported a total membership of 61,605 an increase of 596.

M.W. Bro. His Excellency Brig. Gen. Lord Gowrie, V.C., was re-elected as Grand Master. The following extract from the Grand Master's address is quoted:

REFUGEES FROM CENTRAL EUROPE

"During the past twelve months there has been a considerable influx into this State of refugees from Central Europe. Many of these claim to have been members of Masonic Lodges in their home countries, and have been endeavoring to make contact with our Lodges, but naturally without success, as they were unable to produce any documentary evidence of membership, having been deprived of all Masonic papers when leaving. As the question of their recognition as Masons presented considerable difficulties, I felt that, before taking any action, I should like to know what was being done in the Old Country, which I felt sure had been confronted with a similar problem. I accordingly instructed the Grand Secretary to write to the Grand Lodge of England, and inquire what their attitude on the question was. The reply of the Grand Secretary of England was to the effect that his Board of General Purposes had decided, after careful consideration, that any person who claimed to be a Mason, but was unable to produce documentary evidence of the fact, would have to be proposed, initiated, passed and raised de novo, when, of course, he would be entitled to a Certificate and all privileges. I think this Grand Lodge cannot do better than follow in this matter the lead of the great Mother Grand Lodge of the World, and I now decree accordingly."

The M.W. Pro Grand Master, Col. F. A. Maguire, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., gave a very full report on his trip to the Old Land to attend the Installation Ceremony of H.R.H. the Duke of Kent, as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England.

The Grand Inspector of Workings, V.W. Bro. Robert Wain, mentions in his report:

"A noticeable feature during the quarter is the large number of occasions on which a father has initiated his own son, whilst an instance is recorded of the Worshipful Master initiating his son and also his brother at the one meeting. Another very unique ceremony performed during the period, was the initiation of a blind candidate, who, by his subsequent remarks proved that he fully appreciated the honor that had been conferred on him."

NEW YORK, 1940—

The One Hundred and Fifty-ninth Annual Communication was held in New York City, on May 7th and 8th, 1940. M.W. Bro. Dana B. Hellings, presiding.

Manitoba was represented by R.W. Bro. Edwin W. Seager. Grand Lodge prepared a voluminous and well organized report of 519 pages.

The proceedings were opened with an able and inspiring address by the Grand Master, and covers some 20 pages. This being his second year in the office of Grand Master he speaks with added experience and covers the whole field of Masonic endeavor. It is impossible in the short space at my disposal to touch upon all the gems in his address:

"This fraternity," he says, "in idea and practice, is a tremendous thing, possessing incalculable power and capable of immeasurable influence and accomplishment."

His experiences in the exalted office are tersely stated, and are common to all who have held a similar position. He says:

"Through the whole texture of my administration, like beautiful threads of gold, have been woven associations and friendships and experiences based on them, which cannot be spoken, because they are so indescribably choice. They give human life its relish. Recollections of them will be with me as long as consciousness lasts."

He strongly advocates visitations by Grand Lodge Officers to Constituent Lodges as a major duty, and as likely

"to improve Lodge leadership, programmes and management, to convince the Brethren that Masonry knows where it is going today; that its course is definite and, that its goal is worthwhile and glorious, and to encourage them sensibly and constructively to maintain and improve their Craftsmanship."

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

With regard to Life Membership, which has long been a subject for discussion in this Grand Jurisdiction, he says:

"Life Memberships have definitely injured some Lodges. Sometimes they have become so numerous in a single Lodge as to make the carrying of all Lodge expenses by the rest of the members an unbearable burden. Where Life Members, because of their number and attitude have become a parasitic load on a Lodge, the Lodge cannot rid itself of the load, it needs relief, and sees no way to obtain it."

In concluding his Report, he strikes a high note in touching upon World Conditions today:

"As Grand Lodge looks ahead into another year, it faces the blackest horizon the world has ever seen. To think that in our day of established religions, profound philisophies, advanced culture, refined sensibilities, the highest peak of civilization, there can be such streams of blood and tears. The minds of many men are filled with evil, their hearts with selfishness and hate. Let us not lose faith in our Freemasonry or doubt its mission, or curb our efforts to accomplish its success. Let us rather recall that we are under the eye of God, and that our principal tenet—Brotherly Love, teaches us, to regard the human race as one family, the high, the low, the rich, the poor as created by one Almighty Parent, and inhabiting the same planet, should aid, support and protect one another and so march forward."

MASONIC REFUGEES

A special Committee on Masonic Refugees has been set up for the purpose of assisting those distressed brethren arriving in the country. Grand Lodge, a year ago, made available the sum of $20,000.00 for this purpose, and additional donations augmented this amount to over $51,000.00. The report of this committee in part states, that:

"The activities of the Committee have been confined to granting relief in the form of modest loans. We are not dealing with men who wanted to accept money gratuitously. We are dealing with men like ourselves, many of them of great prominence in their own countries, who landed here stripped of everything but the clothes on their backs, etc."

All praise to the New York Masonic Brethren for their true Masonic spirit.

MEMBERSHIP AND FINANCES

The Grand Secretary reports 1037 Lodges in the Grand Jurisdiction, with a total membership of 249,855 and showing a net loss of 6,079 for the year. The total income received by Grand Lodge was $274,177 showing a net surplus of $104,000. This indicates a very healthy condition.

ORGANIZED CHARITIES AND BENEVOLENCE

The trustees in their report reflect the true Masonic spirit:

"Charity is one of the cardinal virtues. It has always been a component part of Masonic belief. A pre-eminent article of Masonic teaching. One of its greatest activities, if not the most important of Masonic practices. Faith and Charity rank next to our belief in God and the Brotherhood of Man. These four are the basic constituent elements of Masonry."

These brethren evidently practice what they preach. A sum of $430,240.00 was spent in maintenance of the Masonic Home at Utica, and a further sum of $124,600.00 on outside and tubercular relief, etc. To meet these huge expenditures, the trustees received the sum of $677,699.00 from per capita tax and Grand Lodge fees, interest from endowments, etc.

It is worthy of note that since 1893, 2497 men, 1198 women, 506 boys and 356 girls, a total of 4557 indigent human beings received loving care, at a cost of $10,850,000.00 from the hands of the Masons of New York—a truly phenomenal record.

NEW ZEALAND, 1940—

The 51st Annual Communication was held in the Masonic Hall, Wellington, on November 27th, 1940.

M.W. Bro. C. J. Ronaldson, Grand Master, presiding.

There being only one nomination for Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Campbell L. McDairmid was declared elected.

At the Kirkpatrick Masonic Institute, 19 girls are being cared for, and boys at the Papakura Masonic Home.

From the Report of the Board of the Board of General Purposes we cull the following:

CONFERRING DEGREES AT ILLEGAL INTERVALS

A serious breach of the Constitution was committed by a Lodge in passing and raising candidates at intervals of less than seven days between Degrees.

The Lodge was severely reprimanded and ordered to reobligate the candidates in the Second and Third Degrees at intervals of not less than seven days.

The Board strongly recommends to all Lodges that Committees be set up to look after the interests of the wives and dependents of those of their brethren who leave our shores on active service.

Over two hundred of our members have expressed a desire to care for children of British Freemasons who come to New Zealand for the duration of the war. The Board has been in close touch with the Grand Secretary, United Grand Lodge of England, in the matter. In this connection a Masonic Reception Committee, under the chairmanship of the Provincial Grand Master, Wellington District, has been set up to co-operate with the Government.

Shortly after the outbreak of the war the Board recommended to Lodges that the following prayer be said at every meeting.

"Great Architect of the Universe who hast made of one blood all nations of men, mercifully receive the prayers that we offer for our war-stricken world. Send Thy light into our darkness and guide the nations as one family into the way of peace. Take away all prejudice and hatred and fear. Strengthen in us day by day the will to understand. To those who by their counsels lead the peoples of the earth, grant a right judgment, and a clear insight into Thy purpose so that Thy will may be done."

It is pleasing to know that the suggestion was put into practice immediately.

Many Lodges have also adopted the Board's suggestions that one verse of the National Anthem be sung immediately before the closing of the Lodge and one verse of New Zealand's National Song, "God Defend New Zealand," in the refectory.

R.W. Bro. G. T. Bull represented Manitoba at this time.

There are 304 Lodges with a membership of 26,491, an increase of 307.

Reviews of Proceedings received from other Grand Lodges are published monthly in "The New Zealand Craftsman".

NORTH CAROLINA, 1940—

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina convened in its 153rd Annual Communication in Raleigh, on April 16th, 1940. The opening took place in Ample Form with M. W. J. Edward Allen, Grand Master, presiding. There were also thirteen past Grand Masters present. From the Grand Master's address we noticed that he reports for the first time since 1937, that there is a net gain in membership. He reports also making numerous visits, and he visited the District Meetings in every district of the State. He also made a survey of the lists of Grand Representatives, and he has been checking upon those brethren with regard to their attendance at Grand Lodge, and has made numerous changes which no doubt will be for the best. We quote from his remarks on "World Conditions".

"Brethren, the world picture as these lines are written does not look excessively rosy for Masonry. The British Empire, that great Bulwark of Freemasonry, is in danger of complete disintegration; Great Britain itself, is gravely endangered; Scandinavia, another hospitable home of Freemasonry, is in an exceedingly difficult position and may have to bend toward the wishes of the dictators; France is in precarious situation as to internal conditions and the war as well. It may come to pass that Freemasonry may be virtually wiped off the face of the earth except in the Americas. We are daily building a stronger navy which could be needed only

in the event of the defeat or partial defeat of the so-called Allies; men are thinking in terms of what will happen to this or that 'in the possible emergency' in this continent. What is just around the corner no man knows. Let us hope and pray that it may be for the best for all of us, and that in this darkness we may see the stars of hope. It remains for us so to strengthen Freemasonry from within that when there is an emergency the spiritual values of Freemasonry in men's lives will be of vast value to this our country. Let us strive to that end."

From the returns we notice that there are 331 Lodges with a total membership of 26,755 a gain of 34.

The address delivered by the Grand Orator Bro. Hubert M. Poteat who took for his address the subject "In Whom Do You Put Your Trust", was of an inspiring nature.

The report on Foreign Correspondents is of a topical nature and is submitted by the Grand Master.

NORTHERN CHINA, 1940—

Minutes of a Regular Meeting held in the Masonic Temple, Tientsin, on Tuesday, October 22nd, 1940.

This small booklet of only nineteen pages is remarkable, not for what it contains but what may be read between the lines. Of the eighteen Grand Officers, nine were in an acting capacity. Worshipful Brother P. H. B. Kent as District Grand Master in the absence of Right Worshipful Brother William Nation and Worshipful Brother Sims as D.D.G.M. in the absence of Worshipful Brother H. E. Middleton. During the assembly, eight of the officers who were unable to be present at the Regular Meeting held in Shanghai, on March 22nd, 1940, were invested, "in spirit if not in fact owing to the absence of regalia."

Holding authority under the United Grand Lodge of England this Outpost of the Empire in North China is laboring under many difficulties and has to be commended for the splendid work which it is doing. The standard it sets is shown in the communication calling the meeting.

Shanghai, 1st October, 1940.

Dear Sir and Worshipful Brother:

By command of the Right Worshipful District Grand Master, a Regular Meeting of this District Grand Lodge will be held at the Masonic Temple, Racecourse Road, Tientsin, on Tuesday, 22nd October, 1940, at 5.45 o'clock p.m. prompt.

All Present and Past Officers of District Grand Lodge together with the Worshipful Masters, Past Masters and Wardens of the several Lodges of the District, as Members of the District Grand Lodge, are hereby summoned to attend in Evening Dress and Full Dress Masonic Craft Clothing with Craft and Royal Arch Jewels.

All Master Masons being subscribing members of a Lodge within the District, or of a Lodge under a Sister Constitution, are cordially invited to attend.

Officers and Members unable to be present are requested to notify the undersigned as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

T. G. BAILLIE, D.A.G.,
Acting D.G. Secretary.

Wor. Bro. P. H. McIntyre, District Grand Superintendent of the District Grand Lodge of Scottish Freemasonry in North China, accompanied by District Grand Officers was received and saluted according to usual custom.

In the Acting District Grand Secretary's Report the following is noted:

"Postal communication within the District has been somewhat easier during the period under review, but thanks are again due to those Brethren who have rendered valuable assistance by conveying regalia, etc., to the Outports.

"Communication with England, however has become more difficult; and in order that the work of the District should not be unduly interrupted, extra supplies of G.L. Certificates, Forms, etc., have been acquired.

On 20th March, Wor. Bro. E. P. Higgs proceeded on home leave and the secretarial work was placed in charge of the District Assistant G.S.

"The membership of the District at December 31st, stood at 974 a loss of 2 for year."

In the visitations it is noted that visits were made to, District Grand Lodges under the Massachusetts, Scottish and Philippine Constitutions.

Worshipful Bro. Kent, Acting District Grand Master, read the address from R.W. D.G.M. Bro. Nation in which he states that regarding Masonic Jewels to be sent home to the Treasury:

"I am informed that there are custom regulations forbidding the export from China of articles of silver and gold, which regulations we, as Masons, must necessarily uphold. District Grand Lodge cannot, therefore accept Masonic Jewels to be forwarded to London. There is nothing, however, to prevent the individual Brother from taking his own Masonic Jewels to London, when he goes there, and then using his discretion regarding their disposal."

In my report to Grand Lodge last spring, I recorded the difficulties which had to be overcome by brethren in China, especially in Tientsin and you will be encouraged to hear that the Grand Secretary replied in the following terms:

"It is remarkable that the Lodges have been able to continue working and great credit is due to all the Brethren for the sacrifices they are making on behalf of the Craft."

With the lifting of the Japanese blockade of Tientsin on 20th of June last, your local conditions have improved, but conditions cannot be considered normal until peace is restored to China.

At our last meeting reference was made to steps then taken to save Daintree Lodge No. 2938, Weihaiwei. With the kind co-operation of the Rt. Wor. District Grand Master of Hong-kong and South China and the approval of the Grand Lodge, Daintree Lodge has been granted a dispensation to work in Hong-kong for the duration of the war, after which they hope to return to their former meeting place in Weihaiwei

River communication with Hankow continues very restricted and a Japanese military permit is still demanded before travelling. Under these conditions it has been impossible for an official visit to be made to Far Cathy Lodge No. 2855. The Lodge is to be congratulated however, on continuing its work successfully in spite of these restrictions.

Nine Proceedings of Grand Lodges are acknowledged with thanks and among them are the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba for 1940.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1940—

Fifty-first Annual Communication, Fargo, North Dakota, June 18-19, 1940. Grand Master Presiding, M.W. Brother Harry W. Gill. Grand Master Elected, M.W. Brother Eugene Naylor. Grand Secretary, M.W. Brother Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo, North Dakota. Lodges 123; Members 10,937; Loss 206.

The Grand Representative of Manitoba, was in attendance. We were further represented by our Grand Master M.W. Brother W. D. Lawrence. Other distinguished visitors were present from Minnesota, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Montana and Iowa.

M.W. Brother Louis B. Hanna the surviving member of those who organized the Grand Lodge in 1889 and first Grand Tyler and former Governor of the State, was presented by Deputy Grand Master John Moses, present Governor of the State, and received with Grand Honors.

Fifteen Masons of Fifty years standing were presented and included one brother past ninety years of age and another eighty-nine years of age, this was the largest group ever presented and were accorded Grand Honors.

The Grand Master's address indicated a very busy and successful year. Several changes were made in the boundaries of Masonic Districts in the best interest of Free

Masonry. The time of year for District meetings was changed from spring to fall. The Grand Master, a constant visitor during his term of office, included eight visits to Manitoba. Two Masonic Temples were dedicated during the year, Mohall No. 73 and Hiram No. 20. Goose River Lodge No. 19 of Portland and Dakota Lodge No. 55 of Mayville were consolidated in conformity with the order of the Grand Master and the new Lodge known as Goose River Lodge No. 19 of Mayville, was consumated by a special communication of Grand Lodge on November 14th, 1939. Star in the West Lodge No. 33 celebrated its Golden Jubilee in Minot, on May 9th, 1940. The Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master taking part in the programme. The Grand Master paid fitting tribute to the passing of M.W. Brother Robert E. Trousdale who so graciously presided in the Grand East at the Golden Jubilee Communication a year ago. At the conclusion of his report the Grand Master has this to say, "A report is but a cold thing at best. Just a more or less orderly array of facts and figures that fail to reflect any of the fire of enthusiasm; the joy of good-fellowship; or the satisfaction of attainment, that accompanies the doing of the transactions recorded. These emotions will live only in the memories of those who have participated.

"While war clouds gather thick above us, may we all remember that God is still in His Heaven; and may we stand firmly for those great principles of liberty, justice, equality and fraternity that we enjoy. A heritage for which our forefathers devoted their lives; and for which some have even dared to die.

"That which is done, is done. Its evil or its good will be reflected throughout the years to come."

Fraternal Correspondence is presented by Walter H. Murfin, Past Grand Master, in a most interesting manner. Manitoba received most liberal and kindly attention.

OHIO, 1940—

The One Hundred and Thirty-first Annual Communication of Grand Lodge of Ohio was held in Canton, October 16th and 17th, 1940.

Most Worshipful Bro. Dillon Crist, Grand Master, and all Officers of the Grand Lodge were present, including thirteen of the seventeen Past Grand Masters, and only eight of the 623 Lodges were not represented.

After the usual ceremony of opening, at the request of the Grand Master, the Senior Grand Deacon brought forward Brother George P. Craig, a member of Canton Lodge No. 60, ninety-seven years of age, and who has been a Mason for seventy-three years. The Grand Master expressed his pleasure that Bro. Craig was able to be present, and he was given a warm welcome.

Of the eighty-four brethern serving as Grand Representatives of other Grand Lodges near the Grand Lodge of Ohio, only thirteen failed to answer the roll call. The Grand Tyler, Bro. Wm. H. Maddox, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, was among those present.

The Grand Master in his address regretted the net loss for the year of 915 members and in regard to suspensions for non-payment of dues made the following remarks which should have special attention of all Jurisdictions:

"At the beginning of the year emphasis was given to Restorations and Suspensions. During the last ten years a great number of those who, at one time, were sufficiently interested in Masonry to ask for admittance have been suspended for nonpayment of dues. In some cases perhaps dues were not paid because of lack of interest in Masonry and its ideals, and a few others seeking for admission did so with a selfish motive in mind. That these men are no longer in good standing in Freemasonry does not signify a loss to our Fraternity. But on the other hand, there must be a great number of men who, because of pride, would not let their true financial position be made known or, for other reasons, permitted themselves to be suspended for nonpayment of dues, who would welcome an opportunity to reinstate themselves at this time. I suggest to all Masters and all who may be Masters that these worthy, deserving men be contacted and given an explana-

tion of the procedure necessary to reinstate themselves in their Lodge. This should not be the task left to one or two men in the Lodge, but every officer, and every interested Brother should make himself a committee of one to see that these men are approached in the proper manner. We should not expect the Secretary or any other one Officer to do all this work, especially in the larger Lodges. A competent Committee should be appointed to contact the Brethren and ascertain, if at all possible, the true situation before action is taken. These men need that which Masonry has to offer to them, and Masonry in turn needs what they can contribute. Let us continue to work for better attendance at our meetings, restoration of all worthy and deserving Brethren and continue to use caution in our suspensions. In January of this year a check for $500.00 was authorized by your Grand Master and forwarded through the Grand Secretary's office to the Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England; this money to be used by them for relief of wounded soldiers who are members of the Fraternity. England is the home of Freemasonry as we know it today, and to the United Grand Lodge of England we owe much. It seemed to me that the least we could do was to send this check, not so much for its material value, but as a token of our fraternal love to our Brethren in England in their hour of trial."

A copy of the reply, from C. H. Thorpe, Joint Honorary Secretary of the Royal Masonic Hospital where the check was sent by Sydney White, Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England is given in the proceedings and full details are given of the work of the Hospital among the wounded as well as expressing sincere thanks for the generous gift and the sentiments expressed in their letter. The Grand Master went on to suggest that an additional check for $1,000.00 be forwarded in the very near future to the Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England as a further expression of our fraternal love and sympathy for our brethren who are suffering untold hardships in that country.

There were eight cornerstones laid by the Grand Lodge during the Grand Master's term of office, and nine Temples and Lodge rooms have been dedicated.

It is regretfully noted that the Grand Master had to notify all the Lodges in the Grand Jurisdiction of the rather flagrant violation of Section 91 of the Code of the using of Masonry for Political and Commercial advancement.

During his year of office the Grand Master made 143 visits which included 24 district meetings, 70 Lodge meetings, and 49 miscellaneous meetings. One of these he mentioned was to Toronto, Ontario, which is commented on as follows:

"On June 7 and 8 I accompanied the Brethren of Brooklyn Lodge No. 454, of Cleveland, to Toronto, Ontario, where we were the guests of St. George Lodge. To attempt to describe the hospitality and courtesy that was shown your Grand Master as well as those who accompanied him would require pages of our Proceedings. Suffice it to say that the members of St. George were the perfect host."

The report of the Committee on Grievances says:

"Your Committee on Grievances are of the opinion that our Grand Lodge is getting better, every day in every way, as once more there has been nothing presented to your Committee to be considered in the nature of a grievance."

The report of the Committee on Necrology contains the names of Most Worshipful Brothers Andrew Browning Baird and Henry Lamont Adolph, Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

"We do not sigh when golden skies have donned
The purple shadows and the gray of night,
Because we know the morning lies beyond
And we must wait a little while for light.

"So when, grown weary with the care and strife,
Our loved ones find in sleep the peace they crave,
We should not weep, but learn to count this life
A prelude to the one beyond the grave."

The Committee of Ways and Means and Accounts approves the recommendation that our Historian be authorized and instructed to prepare a fourth volume, and that after it is ready for distribution one copy be sent to each Subordinate Lodge.

A very full report is given of the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, 1940, in the reviews.

Total membership given at July 31st, 1940: 172,403. The next Annual Communication will be held in Columbus, Ohio, October 15th and 16th, 1941.

Most Worshipful Brother Charles R. Wilson is Grand Master.

OKLAHOMA, 1940—

The 32nd Annual Communication was held at Guthrie, on February 13th, 1940.

M.W. Bro. Charles H. Everett, Grand Master, presiding. Manitoba's representative R.W. Bro. Clyde Ray was in attendance.

The Grand Master reports having travelled more than 41,000 miles by automobile and visited many Lodges and districts and found the general condition of the Craft excellent.

Six Lodges were consolidated and two Charters were surrendered, also a number of Emergent Communications were convened for the purpose of laying cornerstones.

From the Report of the Board of Control of the Masonic Homes, we cull the following:

ENDOWMENT FUND

We should constantly endeavor to increase our Endowment Fund as the receipts from the Grand Lodge per capita tax have been steadily decreasing from year to year and the revenue from the endowment should be a very vital factor in the support of the Homes.

The Grand Jurisdictions that have met with the greatest success in building up an endowment are those that have been persistent in their endeavors, not by drives but by keeping this important matter constantly before the Craft.

There are many Masons who have money and property with no immediate relatives to leave it to when they pass on, who if they understood the need, would be glad to leave something to help our Homes. A little effort to enlighten our membership will produce results and every individual Mason who is able should be encouraged to contribute annually, large or small gifts, to this worthy cause. Brothers, this is a good subject to use when talking on the activities of our Homes.

This might well be taken as an example for other Jurisdictions to follow. In the Children's Home, there are 37 boys and 37 girls while the Home for the aged cares for 46 men and 46 women.

R.W. Bro. Clyde N. Ray, Grand Orator, delivered an inspiring address taking for his subject "Masonry's Challenge."

The report of Committee on Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. C. A. Sturgeon, Grand Secretary. Manitoba is not included.

OREGON, 1940—

Ninetieth Annual—Portland, June 12, 13, 14, 1940. Grand Master Presiding, M.W. Bro. Leif S. Finseth. Grand Master Elected, M.W. Bro. Earl W. Snell. Grand Secretary, M.W. D. Rufus Cheney, Portland, Oregon. Lodges 171; Members 24,026; Loss 180. Largest Lodge, Washington Lodge No. 46, Portland, 933 members. Smallest Lodge, Siuslaw Lodge No. 192, Mapleton, 20 members. Bro. Wilmot K. Royal, Grand Representative for Manitoba, was present.

The Nintieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Oregon was opened by M.W. Bro. Leif S. Finseth,

in Ample Form at 10:00 a.m., June 12th, 1940. After the invocation by R.W. Bro. Raymond B. Walker, Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. D. Rufus Cheney, Grand Secretary, called the roll of Grand Lodge officers, all of whom were present.

Bro. Joseph K. Carson, Mayor of Portland, was introduced and welcomed the Grand Lodge on behalf of the city.

Distinguished guests were introduced and most cordially welcomed by the Grand Master and accorded Grand Honors, they included Lloyd E. Wilson, R.W. Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of California, and John A. Emigh, R.W. Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Washington.

Seventeen Past Grand Masters answered the roll call.

The Grand Master gave a thorough and detailed report of his activities during his term of office, travelling over 25,000 miles in the interest of the fraternity. He was called on to fill many vacancies in office one being that of Brother Arthur D. Hay to fill the vacancy of Senior Grand Warden caused by the death of R.W. Bro. George D. Brodie.

Three Masonic Temples were dedicated during the year and four cornerstones laid.

The Grand Master made seven visitations to other Grand Jurisdictions, two of them to Canada, the 68th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia at Victoria and a formal reception held at Vancouver in honor of M.W. Bro. George A. B. Hall, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia. The Grand Master made many other important visitations and was particularly generous in visiting subordinate Lodges. One ceremony of particular interest was the annual observance of the Festival of St. John the Evangelist held December 27th, 1939. Grand Lodge was convened in occasional communication at the Portland Masonic Temple from whence the brethren marched to the First Congregational Church

headed by the Grand Lodge Officers where services appropriate to the occasion were conducted by R.W. Bro. Rev. Raymond B. Walker, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Oregon. This service was both elegant and inspiring and included a most beautiful programme of sacred music.

The Grand Master advocated Lodge publicity by a well directed newspaper publicity of fraternal events, he said the time has come when Masonry should no longer "hide its light under a bushel". Oregon is fortunate in having one of the best Masonic publications in the country, the Masonic Analyst edited and published by Bro. B. Elbert Bede and is performing a real constructive service for Freemasonry.

In speaking of America and Peace the Grand Master has this to say of former men who have tried to master and dominate the world and their subsequent failure:

> Progress hates war. We stand for peace and progress. Dictators now, as heretofore, may strut and murder, but they have always left their countries poorer and smaller. History tells us that Alexander, who had conquered the world and sighed for more worlds to conquer, died after a drunken debauch. Hannibal committed suicide while being cruelly and ruthlessly pursued by his enemies. Caesar was assassinated at the very climax of his greatest triumph and dictators from his day to this have met a similar fate. Napoleon, conquered and imprisoned, lived a lonely life and died on the obscure island of St. Helena. It has been claimed that these are the four greatest generals in human history. Not one of them brought happiness to himself or his people. Not one of them made a single permanent contribution to the progress and happiness of the world. Surely, right must prevail over might, and the present day war-mad, power-drunk dictators of Europe will travel the same road as their predecessors.

The reviews are written by M.W. Bro. O. C. Hagmeier, Past Grand Master, and are compiled in a most careful and interesting manner. Manitoba was very generously alloted two pages and received the same careful attention given our neightbors.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1940—

The Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania is divided into four Quarterly Communications, March, June, September and December 4th, with the Annual Communication on December 27th, 1940.

R.W. Grand Master William H. Brehm presided at all sessions and was re-elected as Grand Master for the year 1941. It appears from records that all Grand Masters have served a two year term for the past forty years.

The Annual Communication was opened at Philadelphia, at 10:00 a.m.

In the Grand Master's address the following is of interest:

"On October 19th, 1940, I attended an extra meeting of York Lodge, No. 266, York, and caused Raymond P. Sherwood to be made a Mason at sight."

"At the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge, held June 5th, last, a resolution was adopted authorizing the presentation of a 50-year Masonic Service Emblem to all members who have been in good standing 50 years or more, and on September 4th, last, I called a meeting of the District Deputy Grand Masters and directed each of the Deputies to present to the Brethren in their respective districts the emblem which they would receive from the R.W. Grand Secretary. In the presentation of these emblems it was discovered that the oldest Mason in point of service in Pennsylvania is a guest at our Masonic Home at Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania. He is Brother Augustus H. Williams, a member of Titusville Lodge, No. 754, Titusville, Penn., who was initiated in Lodge No. 303, Pennsylvania, May 18, 1865. He has, therefore, been a Mason 75 years."

"At the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge in September last, this Grand Lodge adopted a resolution authorizing the Grand Master to offer assistance to the Freemasons of England, Ireland and Scotland, in taking care of some of the children of their members.

"I feel that this offer was greatly appreciated by the Brethren across the sea and we stand ready to do what we can for them, but up to the present time they feel they can manage the situation in their own way."

Ninety-three visits were made by the Grand Master during the year and does not include fifteen Grand Visitations.

The Grand Secretary's report is given in the March Quarterly Communication and is for 1959, giving the membership as 174,677. Decrease of 3,040.

No reviews.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, 1941—

The 29th Annual Communication was held in the City of Manila, on January 28th, 1941.

10 Past Grand Masters were present. W. Bro. Gonzales T. Vales represented Manitoba.

The reviews of Proceedings of the Grand Jurisdictions are published in "The Cabletow" which we think is a good way of passing this information to the brethren.

There are 102 Lodges with a membership of 5,656 an increase of 225.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1940—

The Sixty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island, A.F. & A.M., was held in Charlottetown, on Wednesday, June 26th, 1940. M.W. Bro. Harlan P. Found, Grand Master, presided. P.G.M. Bro. Donald Baker, Grand Representative of Manitoba, was in attendance.

In the Grand Master's address it is noted:

"The gradual betterment of mankind by the tender, loving, process of growth, education, evolution, is for the present but the figment of a dream. May God in His infinite mercy, help us as Masons, to keep the fundamental principles of our fraternity, Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth, shining brightly, so that all may discern through the dark drab mists of today, those indestructable gems of humanity, and that when again (as sure it will) justice is enthroned, honor regarded, and freedom vindicated, the world may know that while meaner nations palter with the claims of conscience, one bright beacon light of liberty still shines undimmed in the Fraternity of Freemasonry."

The address closes with,

"As we grow older, the thing that becomes more and more clear to us, is the importance of friendships, and I can conceive of no greater satisfaction, than that of conducting myself that I may constantly add to my list of friends, and thereby obtain a fuller measure of life. To live for the most there is in life must mean that we cannot live to ourselves alone. If we wish real success we must work and build together.

"Stand off by yourself in your dreaming
And all of your dreams are vain,
No grandeur of soul or spirit
Can man by himself attain.
It is willed we shall live as brothers,
As brothers then, we must toil,
We must act with a common purpose
As we work in a common soil.
And each, who would see accomplished
The dreams that he's proud to own,
Must strive for the good with his fellows,
For no man can do it alone."

Even although there are not many subordinate lodges in the Grand Jurisdiction it is gratifying to note that the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Secretary, in their reports for the year, have stated that they had visited all the subordinate lodges.

A report is submitted by Past Grand Masters Donald E. Baker and G. Elliot Full on the occasion of their representing the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island at the

installation of H.R.H. The Duke of Kent, K.G., as Grand Master of England. The ceremony was held at Olympia, in London, and was performed by Most Worshipful Brother, His Most Gracious Majesty, The King, in the presence of 80 accredited representatives of other Grand Lodges, 1676 Grand Lodge Officers, and 10,246 Masters, Wardens, and Past Masters of the Grand Lodge of England.

The large auditorium was filled to capacity and it was understood that the Grand Secretary was only able to arrange accommodation for one third of those who applied to attend and who were members of Grand Lodge.

It was a ceremony which for its perfect arrangements, its abounding and loyal enthusiasm, its overflowing Masonic spirit will never be forgotten by those who were present. The Grand Masters of Ireland, Scotland, Massachusetts, and The Netherlands, extended to the new Grand Master the congratulations and Masonic greetings of their own Grand Lodges, and spoke as well on behalf of the other guests present.

At the session of the Grand Lodge of P.E.I., a resolution of sincere loyalty to the person and throne of His Majesty King George was unanimously adopted and $5,000.00 was donated as a contribution towards the war effort of the British Empire. The Grand Lodge of England to administer the contribution as they, as Masons, see fit.

M.W. Bro. G. Shelton Sharp was elected and installed for 1940-41. Lodge membership 1063. Net loss 12.

No reviews.

QUEBEC, 1940—

A Special Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in Montreal on October 20th, 1940, for the purpose of

amending the Constitution and celebrating the 70th Anniversary of this Grand Lodge, which was instituted on October 20th, 1869.

The 70th Annual Communication was held in the City of Montreal on October 9th, 1940. M.W. Bro. D. McLellan, Grand Master, presiding.

R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters has been commissioned as representative for this Jurisdiction near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The Grand Master places emphasis on creating and maintaining the interest of the individual Mason. He also issued a timely rebuke to Masons who use Sunday for a sports tournament where a fee is charged and prizes awarded.

The Grand Secretary reports 94 Lodges with a membership of 13,708.

The Reports of the D.D.G.M.'s indicate a satisfactory condition of the Craft throughout the Jurisdiction.

No reviews.

QUEENSLAND, 1940—

Queensland had four Quarterly and one Special Communication during the year. The Special Communication was to announce Grand Master elect, M.W. Bro. His Excellency Col. the Rt. Hon. Sir Leslie Orme Wilson as Grand Master for his sixth term of office.

In his address he says:

"Today, Freemasonry is of greater importance than ever. We live in very troublous times and the Brotherhood of Freemasonry and the brotherly love it teaches is surely more needed today than ever. If nations, which may be our possible enemies, deny, as some

do, the great lessons of Freemasonry to their peoples, it is of greater importance than ever that the great democracies which give freedom of thought and action to their citizens should make full use of our great opportunity and, may I add, our duty as men and as Masons. You well know that exhortation to do your duty in that state of life unto which it shall please the G.A.O.T.U. to call you, and there is no better way in which you can fully understand your duty to Him, your country, and your laws than by a strict adherence inside and outside a Lodge, particularly outside, to the teachings of our profession. We are taught in Freemasonry right living and right thinking—and a religion of Freemasonry is a religion of duty, kindness and useful effort, and the man who is conspicuous by his devotion to the sublime principles of Freemasons must be a good citizen and able to claim that he appreciates the fact that while Truth is a divine work, Duty is a divine law.

"These days of difficulty and doubt should bring us all the nearer to each other, increase and make even more clear to every one of us, our faithfulness in our allegiance and duty to our King, our Empire, our Commonwealth, and our State. No one can say today what will have happened in the world before the next installation of your Grand Master takes place, but, relying on Divine Providence and on the help of the G.A.O.T.U. we can look forward with confidence to the future, if we are prepared to abide by His teaching and are diligent in carrying out the great precepts which we learn as men and as Masons."

From the report of the Board of General Purposes we quote the following for the information of our readers:

"In order to prevent the Peace and Harmony of the Craft being disturbed, the Board considers it desirable that all brethren who were born in what are now enemy countries and the sons of any such brethren who were born in British Territory at a time when the father was an alien, should not, during the continuance of the state of War, attend any meeting of Grand Lodge or of the District Grand Lodge or of a Private Lodge or any other Masonic meeting. Representations, however, having been made to the Board that this matter of exclusion may not be generally approved, and that the local sentiment in this matter may not be uniform throughout the State, the Board, in consultation with the M.W. Grand Master, leaves the decision in regard to such Brethren to the discretion of individual Lodges according to the balance of opinion therein. In this way the responsibility for interpreting the sentiments of members and preserving peace and harmony will devolve on the Masters of individual Lodges, who nevertheless may take the first portion of this paragraph as authority for action should such be deemed expedient.

"When a brother is initiated into the Craft he is invested with the distinguishing badge of a Freemason, and is informed that it 'is more ancient than the Golden Fleece or the Roman Eagle; more honorable than the Garter or any other order in existence'; and it follows that the right to wear this badge should be regarded as a great privilege and it should be treated with becoming respect. It has been observed and reported to the Board of General Purposes that many brethren—even Past Masters—have been seen passing from the Lodge room and even appearing in public streets with this badge in the reverse position, under the coat tail, where it will probably be sat upon, and thus suffer what may be regarded as most contemptuous treatment. The Board of General Purposes hopes that, having called attention to a practice which may have had an origin in thoughtlessness, all loyal brethren will treat this badge with the respect due to a sacred symbol. Attention is drawn to the last paragraph of Article No. 192, Book of Constitutions, which reads as follows: "Brethren are strictly forbidden to wear emblems of Freemasonry outside a Masonic Lodge.

"The Board has been gratified by the splendid response made by Lodges to the instructions given last June regarding examination and admission of visitors. However, it has been found that this care is seriously frustrated by the fact that a large number of visitors arrive late, especially on the night of Installation, mingle with the brethren who temporarily retire while the Board of Installed Masters is functioning, and enter the Lodge with the brethren who are re-admitted on the resumption of 3rd, 2nd and 1st degrees. By this means, late coming Brethren are admitted without having to produce their documentary credentials and undergo examination as do those who arrive in good time. To assist Lodges to check this irregular—and for many Lodges inconvenient—practice, the Board is issuing cards to be given to retiring brethren for presentation on re-entry as evidence that they had been properly vouched for as proved on admission."

There are no reviews given in the Proceedings.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1940—

The 34th Annual Communication was convened in Saskatoon, on June 19th, 1940.

M.W. Bro. H. M. Underhill on the Throne. Among the distinguished visitors welcomed at this time was M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, who later on addressed the brethren.

REDEDICATION EXERCISES

"The M.W. the Grand Master called on the Grand Chaplain. V.W. Bro. J. W. Pratt, who drew the attention of the Brethren to the fact that we had on our Altar a Volume of the Sacred Law from the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island which Volume had rested on the Altars of several Grand Lodges on the North American Continent. The Grand Chaplain than led the Brethren in rededication exercises and concluded his final prayer with these words: 'We rededicate ourselves to the application of its truths and the practising of its principles.' "

From the Grand Master's address:

"The past year in the affairs of humanity has been a moving picture of lightning changes and great contrasts. We have stood back, in comparative security of distance from the central scenes, amazed and bewildered at the terrible and devastating attacks, devised and perpetrated by man, deliberately shattering those traditions we love, cling to and cherish as essential to our daily lives. We are reminded of our freedom and begin to realize that we have lived without understanding its lifegiving purpose. We look from the present into the dark horizon of the future and wonder what new civilization, what new era is upon us. We, as Masons, ask ourselves what can be done to give it form, to mould it to our hearts' desires, to our ideals. Some in their anxiety say, 'These barbaric and bestial conditions in man are a challenge to Masonry; something must be done by our Order; concerted action must be taken!' That is not so. There never has been or ever will be a challenge to Masonry as long as the ancient landmarks are preserved sacred and inviolable and we never suffer an infringement of our customs, or a deviation from our established usage. The challenge is not to Masonry but it is decidediy a challenge to you and to me as individual Masons. All of us became a Mason with the sincere desire to make himself more extensively serviceable to his fellowmen. The greater the need of our fellowmen, the greater the responsibility and opportunity to serve. That need is growing greater every day. Masonry always has and ever will stand ready and willing to assist us in developing our power to serve. There is a new challenge to each of us to use Masonry in developing that power and tc use that power to serve our

fellow creatures. From my own personal experience in meeting and enjoying Masonic fellowship with hundreds of our Brethren throughout the year I believe without any doubt that their original purpose in joining the Order is still alive and active."

The Grand Master is not apparently satisfied with the selection of D.D.G.M.'s and District Meetings, as the results expected are evidently not being produced, so some changes in the selection of the D.D.G.M.'s and arranging of District Meetings may be looked for. The Grand Secretary reports 198 Lodges with total membership of 12,243. The Board of General Purposes makes the following recommendation to constituent Lodges:

"That they instruct all members Overseas not to carry Masonic Credentials out of England."

The Committee on Masonic Education has once again set up a splendid study programme for the ensuing year.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. W. M. Martin. The Manitoba proceedings for 1939 received very kindly reference.

SCOTLAND, 1940—

The Grand Lodge of Scotland holds Quarterly Communications and on May 2nd, 1940, a Past Grand Master's Jewel was presented to M.W. Bro. Brigadier-General Sir Norman A. Orr Ewing, Bart., D.S.O., A.D.C., V.L., Past Grand Master.

At the Annual Communication on November 20th, 1940, M.W. Bro. The Right Hon. Viscount Traprain was re-installed into Office.

The reports by Provincial Grand Masters makes interesting reading to the reviewer who has many pleasant recollections of visiting a number of Lodges in this Jurisdiction.

SCOTLAND, 1941—

Meetings were held by the Grand Lodge of Scotland, on February 6th, March 1st, August 7th, and November 6th, for the Annual Meetings for the installation of Grand Office Brethren, and for the celebration of Festival of St. Andrew. The Rt. Hon. Viscount Traprain, M.W. Grand Master Mason, presiding.

We regret to note the passing of Bro. T. G. Winning, Grand Secretary, and we extend our condolences to our Scottish brethren in the loss of such a prominent member of the Craft.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipt of a donation of £5.2s from Lodge Peace and Concord, Callo, Peru, No. 445, and an offer of gifts from Members of Lodge Scotis, Nairobi, No. 1008, for the relief of brethren and dependents who have suffered during enemy attacks.

Congratulations were extended to Bro. Sir Ian Colquhoun on his appointment by H. M. the King as Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

No reviews.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1939—

Fifty-fifth Annual Communication, Adelaide, April 19th, 1939. Grand Master Presiding M.W. Bro. His Honor Mr. Justice Napier, LL.B. Grand Master Elected M.W. Bro. Andrew Douglas Young. Grand Secretary R.W. Bro. R. Owen Fox, P.G.W. Lodges 154. Members 13,432. Loss 113. Grand Representative of Manitoba, E. J. Cooping, P.G.D., present.

Minutes of the Half-Yearly Communication held October 19th, 1938, were taken as read, passed as correct

and duly confirmed. A matter of interest was the celebration by two Grand Lodges in Australia of their Jubilees. One was the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales which was attended by the President of the Board and Grand Lodge Officers from South Australia. The other was the United Grand Lodge of Victoria with an also worthy representation.

After the election of officers a stirring tribute was made to the retiring Grand Master M.W. Bro. the Hon. Mr. Justice Napier by the Grand Master Elect, M.W. Bro. Young, as an expression of appreciation for his contribution to Freemasonry in the Jurisdiction over a period of eleven years as Grand Master, in seconding the motion the Deputy Grand Master said he could say with confidence that no Grand Master of Constitution could claim a more excellent record.

The Grand Master in his farewell address reminded the brethren of the difficult times in which they were living. Masonry was a great and glorious faith and he adjured the brethren to hold and to carry on the Spirit of Freemasonry, to do justice, to love mercy and to walk humbly. If men could only learn that lesson thoroughly and practice it in their daily lives, then the world would be a better place for mankind.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1940—

A Special Communication was held April 20th, 1939, for the purpose of enabling M.W. Bro. His Excellency Brigadier-General The Rt. Hon. Lord Gowrie, V.C., P.C., G.C.M.G., D.B., D.S.O., Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, to renew acquaintanceship with brethren of this Grand Lodge. Lord Gowrie in his capacity of Governor-General of The Commonwealth, visited Adelaide to perform the Official Opening of the additions to the Parliament House and expressed a wish to meet the brethren

at that time, over 450 Masons attended. At this meeting Lord Gowrie was made an Honorary member of this Grand Lodge.

The Half-yearly Communication as all others, was held at North Terrace, Adelaide, October 18th, 1939, with Grand Master Andrew D. Young on the Throne.

After the National Anthem had been sung Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form. The Report of the Board of General Purposes was approved and it was pointed out that so far as Masonic Ritual was concerned it should be remembered that it was not a matter for lodges to hurry through in order to get to the festive board. It was really the important part in Masonry and should be studied and absorbed by every Mason.

The Annual Communication was held on Wednesday, April 17th, 1940, with the Grand Master presiding. A Constitution Amendment was put and carried that would permit of a dispensation being granted by the Grand Master, to initiate a candidate who was blind.

Grand Master Young was re-elected for the ensuing term. Grand Master Young concluded his address in these words:

"We are entering upon another year and no one knows what is before us. We therefore look to the G.A.O.T.U. who knows and plans from beginning to end, I feel confident that when we meet again everything will go well with us."

In their reviews of Foreign Correspondence Manitoba was splendidly received and reviewed by Bro. Edgar J. Copping.

R.W. Bro. Owen Fox was re-elected as Grand Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA, 1941—

The 204th Annual Communication convened in Charleston on March 12th, 1941. M.W. Bro. S. Maner Martin,

Grand Master, presiding. The Grand Master in his Annual Address reports the Craft showing progress.

The War Department notified the Masonic Service Association that it was abvisable that a service centre be opened in the City of Columbia for the soldiers at Fort Jackson, which was opened on February 1st, 1941. The Grand Lodge contributed $1,750.30 being a 10c per capita on the 1939 basis.

Many Lodges were visited during the year, one being an open air meeting at Fountain Inn, at which the Entered Apprentice Degree was conferred.

We note with pleasure that V.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer has been appointed the Grand Representative of this Jurisdiction near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

Two new Lodges were constituted and one Masonic Hall dedicated and four cornerstones were laid.

The reviews are presented by R.W. Bro. Henry Collins, J.G.W. Manitoba for 1940 receives courteous attention.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1939—

Sixty-fifth Annual Communication, Mitchell, June 13, 14, 15. Grand Master Presiding, M.W. William H. Hirsch. Grand Master Elected, M.W. Charles C. Smith. Grand Secretary, R.W. W. D. Swain. Lodges 172. Members 14,478. Loss 665.

Grand Representative of Manitoba, W. Bro. Jess H. Thorpe, present. Distinguished visitors were present from Nebraska, North Dakota.

In a very thorough and lengthy address the Grand Master gives an account of his stewardship for the past year in office taking into consideration the conditions of Free-

masonry in his Jurisdiction and making such recommendations as, in his opinion are for the welfare of the Craft, he points out some of the problems the Lodges have to face today, particularly the question of dues, the delinquency of which has much to do with weakening of the structure of the local Lodge.

From the Grand Master's address:

"Dues: At no time in the recent history of this Grand Lodge have the constituent lodges been required to exercise more care and judgment in the administration of their business and financial affairs than in the past two years. Economic loss and unemployment have made it extremely difficult for many brethren to meet their financial obligations to their Lodges, and, as a consequence, Lodge records show an alarming amount of unpaid and deliquent dues. If this perplexing question is to be satisfactorily solved we must first realize that the payment of lodge dues is obligatory upon each of us, and that every Master Mason is expected to bear his just portion of the financial burdens of his Lodge. In recent years the books of some Lodges show from forty to sixty per cent. of the entire membership in arrears in dues ranging from one to five years, and a few cases as high as six or seven years. Heretofore the Lodges have complained that, while it was for the Lodges to work out situations of this kind, Grand Lodge should give them some moral support.

At the last Communication this Grand Body did amend Section 198, by inserting the language "in no case will a Lodge be permitted to carry a delinquent member for more than two years."

When I called the attention of the Constituent Lodges to the amendment of Section 198 of the by-laws, I stated that I hoped they would comply with the by-law. I also realized that there would be some opposition to it, but I must say that I think the opposition was caused by the fact that the above-named question was not fully understood. I received many letters from the secretaries of the Lodges, thanking the Grand Lodge for giving them the moral support which made their collections so much easier. May I quote from just one: "I did not think it could be done, but due to the new amendment to Section 198, I have the dues in this Lodge in better shape than they have been for years."

The Grand Master points out two common types of attacks on Freemasonry, one, the attack which is made when a dictator or an autocrat is unwilling to let people think

for themselves upon civil, religious and intellectual matters, the other type of attack is the attack upon our institution, which attack however is broadcast in the newspapers, and we sit by and do nothing. He, like the Grand Master of Vermont stresses the Declaration of Principles, set forth in full in the review of Vermont, 1939, as suggested by the Grand Masters Conference, 1939, at Washington.

There were no reviews.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1940—

The 66th Annual Communication was held in Watertown, on June 11th, 1940.

Eleven Past Grand Masters were in attendance. The Grand Master reports an increasing demand for more Masonic education, and commends the General Activities Committee on their efforts in this respect. Improvements in the finances of the Constituent Lodges are reported, even under the adverse economic conditions under which they have been laboring. The Grand Master reports many visits made during the year among which the following is reported.

"November 17, at 6:00 a.m. attended a Sunrise Meeting of Sunrise Lodge No. 211 at Aberdeen, at which time the F.C. Degree was conferred, and after which there was a 7:30 o'clock breakfast. This an annual affair of this Lodge. This meeting was very well attended both by members of Aberdeen and surrounding Lodges."

Two cornerstones were laid during the year. The Grand Master also reports that general conditions in Masonry throughout this Grand Jurisdiction are showing improvement in many ways.

No reviews.

TASMANIA, 1940—

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient and Accepted Masons of Tasmania was held in Hobart, on the 22nd of February, M.W. Bro. W. A. Downie, Grand Master, presiding.

From the report of the Board of General Purposes we extract the following:

"The Appeal by the Grand Master in October last for Funds to relieve distress caused by Air Raid Bombing in Great Britain was responded to excellently by the Lodges and Brethren, the sum of £2,116 19s. 1d. being received up to 31st December last, when the Fund was closed, including £625 voted by Grand Lodge (£500 Stg., plus Exchange £125). The response has enabled the sum of £2,115 13s. 3d. to be transmitted by cable to the United Grand Lodge of England (£1,692 10s. 7d. Stg., Exchange £423 2s. 8d.) for the purposes mentioned . . . has been in communication with the United Grand Lodge of England in connection with the proposed evacuation of children from Britain to the Dominions, and offered, on behalf of the Freemasons of this Jurisdiction, to take an interest in the welfare of any children of English Freemasons who may be housed in Tasmanian Homes. The Board is now awaiting further advices from England as it is understood the proposed scheme of evacuation has been postponed for the present."

The Grand Inspector of Lodges reports harmonious relationships prevailing between the several districts.

At this meeting M.W. Bro. W. A. Downie was once again re-elected as Grand Master for the ensuing term. The Grand Master in speaking of the Finances of private Lodges advises that they are being maintained not withstanding the stress of the time and the absence of many brethren on Active Duty, but not with the same gratification that I observe an increase expenditure by some Lodges in the matter of refreshments instead of being maintained as at normal times, refreshments should be severely curtailed. It is an old truism that "Ill wrought by want of thought as well as want of heart." I have mentioned the

curtailment of refreshments at all proceedings in the South, and now I would like to see this matter attended to by all Lodges.

There are 47 Lodges with a total membership of 4,196.

No reviews.

TENNESSEE, 1941—

The One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Tennessee was held in the Grand Lodge Building, Nashville, on January 29th, 1941.

Most Wor. Bro. Paul F. Lanius, presided over a large and representative gathering. Of the 391 Lodges, only 14 were not represented by the Master or one of the Wardens.

In his address the Grand Master says:

"World conditions are alarming. As we meet in the quiet of this Masonic Temple, envy, hatred, greed, paganism, and the lust to kill and destroy are drenching the earth with human blood and spreading death and destruction over the world. Never has there been a day when so many innocent women and children suffered and died because of the crooked thinking of world leaders. We are witnessing a war initiated by those whose aim seems to be the total destruction of things both material, and spiritual. One by one, nations are being enslaved by stronger nations; the doors of the church are being closed; and Masonry has been banished by practically all the countries on the continent of Europe. Freedom, Truth and Justice, in many parts of the world, are nothing more than mere words listed in the pages of a dictionary."

In speaking of the comparative merits of the institutionalized Home plan as against the system of outside maintenance, the Grand Master had this to say:

"Your attention has been repeatedly called to the fact that this Grand Jurisdiction is not alone in practicing the system of outside maintenance. . . . At the present time we find that

thirty-two Grand Jurisdictions are operating under the same plan. Our system is neither untried nor is it radical. Experience has proved that better results can be obtained for our wards when they are in a natural environment. Children maintained in the home of a mother or of a relative may rapidly take their legitimate places in society, and become citizens of whom the Fraternity may be justly proud. Even if we look at this subject from the standpoint of the material and financial alone, the system of outside maintenance has to a great degree been our salvation. It would have been utterly impossible for this Grand Lodge to maintain four hundred and sixty-six people in the former manner at the Home. We could not possibly finance such a programme without levying a per capita tax of at least five dollars, and we are all well aware that such an amount would be prohibitive. We desire to call the attention of the Fraternity to the average cost of one dollar and thirty cents per day for Masonic Home Institutional Charity in all Grand Jurisdictions, as compared to thirty-two cents per day for the method of outside maintenance under which we now operate."

The address also contains instructive comments on the loss of members in the Jurisdiction and the Grand Secretary's report gives a comparative statement for the past 40 years showing how the gain or loss is arrived at. The gain was greatest in the years after the last war, but had been always on the right side until 1929 when loss commenced, reaching the greatest in 1933, and showing a loss of 201 in the last year.

"It is the conviction of the Grand Master that the time has come when we must use our Lecturers in a wider field of service. We must build, in this rapidly changing world, on broader foundations. For a number of years we have been steadily losing ground in numbers, and I fear influence. . . .

"It is evident that our knowledge of ritual has out-stripped by far our understanding and appreciation of the noble meaning and high destiny of Masonry. Our ability to recite ritual with exactness has surpassed our zeal for its higher values and dulled our comprehension of the truths presented. Whether we would have it so or not, we are faced with the fact that only about ten per cent. of our membership has any real interest in learning our ritual or time to become proficient in its performance. This leaves nearly ninety per cent. of our membership with the feeling, although it may never be artículated, that the investment by the Grand Lodge through its Lecture System does not touch their lives and has nothing of vital interest to offer them. We owe something to this large group of intelligent and serious minded brethren, and

we must endeavor to challenge them for the future of Masonry and rouse them to a sacred sense of its many values. Some of this group may be interested in the beauty of its symbolism, some in the depth of its philosophy, some in its romantic history, and still others may become especially interested in the charitable undertakings of the Fraternity. The Grand Master is definitely of the opinion that the Lecture System can help us and must help us to emerge from our indifference and lack of understanding and bring us into a day of larger usefulness."

To date there have been issued a total of 470 certificates to members who have been in good standing for a total of fifty years. Fifty-four of these certificates were issued in 1940.

The Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ira Parker, was in attendance.

It is with deep regret that we have to report that since the meeting of Grand Lodge, the death of Most Worshipful John Thomas Peeler, Past Grand Master and chairman of the Committee on Correspondence. Most Worshipful Brother Peeler died on February 11th, 1941, at Nashville, Tennessee.

M.W. Bro. Samuel H. Cooper was elected Grand Master and R.W. Bro. Thomas Earl Doss was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba are favorably reviewed.

Lodge membership 35,890. Loss 201.

TEXAS, 1940—

The 105th Annual Communication was held in the City of Waco, on December 4th. M.W. Bro. Leo Hart, Grand Master, presiding. R.W. Bro. Max Strang delivered a very fine address emphasizing on the the Grand Master's slogan, "Masonry Day by Day".

The Grand Master's address is interesting and demonstrates his sound judgment in carrying out the many duties of his office. His monthly letters to the D.D.G.M.'s and W.M.'s is something new to the reviewer and we hope they will produce the good results they deserve. Many dispensations were applied for, and from those granted we cull the following:

18. Ganado Lodge No. 1055, Ganado, Texas, to hold a meeting on the 3800 acre pasture of Sam Heard, near the town of Louise, Texas, and under the Jurisdiction of Ganado Lodge No. 1055, for the purpose of conferring a Master's Degree, on June 17th, 1940.

27. Crane Lodge No. 1262, Crane, Texas, to hold a meeting on a hill near Crane, Texas, for the purpose of conferring a Master's Degree on the evening of August 17, 1940.

43. Rogers Lodge No. 602, Rogers, Texas, to hold a special meeting on the Thomas and Ratliff Ranch about four miles from the town of Rogers on the night of August 13, 1940, and for the purpose of conferring a Master's Degree.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence does not agree with the Meetings in the open.

Your Committee has given careful consideration to each of these dispensations, each of them being of like import—the conferring of a Masonic Degree, in the open, in pastures, or on a hill, and make the following report:

In Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1934, page 191 under the heading—"Dispensations to Meet in Open," a Committee of this Grand Lodge reported as follows:

"We note that Grand Master granted dispensation in one instance, and, failing to find authorization in law, refused requests from four other Lodges, and submits the question for a ruling as to whether or not Masonic Lodge meetings for the purpose of conferring of degrees could be held in the open.

"Replying, your Committee concedes that in the remote past expediency may have justified holding such meetings in the open, but in this day of sky-scrapers, and powerful binoculars, and aeroplanes, we do not believe that the open spaces constitute a safe and secure location as contemplated by Masonic Law."

This portion of the report of the Committee was unanimously adopted by Grand Lodge, giving same the force and effect of an edict of this Grand Lodge, and denying to Grand Master the power of granting a dispensation to confer Masonic degrees in the open, such as in pastures, or on hilltops, or in any place other than a proper and suitable building.

It is therefore the opinion of this Committee that said dispensations, reported under Nos. 18, 27 and 43, were not in accord with Masonic Law, and should not have been granted, and we offer the following resolution:

"RESOLVED that the granting of the aforesaid dispensations be, and the same is hereby, disapproved."

Fraternally submitted,

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JAMES W. McCLENDON,
G. A. BRANDT,
W. MARCUS WEATHERRED,
JOHN T. RICE,
GUINN WILLIAMS,

Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

Under "Decisions" the following is a new one to this Committee:

Decision No. 17:

Where a Master-elect of a Lodge is compelled to be out of the State during time provided by the Law for Installation the question was asked if he could be installed by telephone.

HELD: Art. 334 of our Masonic Laws provides that all elected Officers shall be installed in person. Hence, it is not permissable to instal such an officer by long dstance telephone.

From the statement of membership it is interesting to note that Texas has a net increase in membership of 2,173, a total membership of 100,618 and 896 Lodges.

Bro. George W. Truett, delivered an inspiring address and lack of space prevents us from printing same. Bro. J. W. Pender represented Manitoba as Grand Representative. The Grand Orator, Bro. Wm. H. Duls, delivered a timely address on the subject "Masonry's Obligation to Youth."

The report on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. W. M. Fly, P.G.M. Manitoba, 1940, received fraternal treatment.

UTAH, 1940—

The 69th Annual Communication was held in Salt Lake City, on September 23rd, 1940. M.W. Bro. William Littlejohn, Grand Master, presiding. Representatives of 23 of the 26 Lodges of the Jurisdiction and fourteen Past Grand Masters were in attendance. The Grand Master reviewed many invitations and from those accepted we quote the following:

"Tuesday, November 21, 1939, I accepted the invitation and attended Argenta No. 3, Old Timer's Night. Argenta has a long list of Old Timers with membership of 20 years or more, and among them are many Past Masters still very active in Lodge work. Needless to say, I enjoyed the evening very much, renewing acquaintances made in 1920, when Argenta held a coal men's night and invited me in from Carbon Lodge No. 16 to preside in the East. All the offices were occupied by Masons connected in some way or other with the coal business. Two M.M.'s were raised, both active as auditors in a coal company office in Salt Lake City. Past Master E. Roy Gibson occupied the West."

Two cornerstones were laid and a Masonic Hall was dedicated. The Grand Secretary reports 26 Lodges with a membership of 4,516, and an expenditure of $6,155.60 for charitable purposes.

The Masonic Reviews were presented by M.W. Bro. Sam Goodwin, P.G.M. Manitoba for 1939 being included.

VERMONT, 1939—

One Hundred and Forty-sixth Annual Communication, Burlington, June 14th and 15th. Grand Master Presiding,

M.W. Charles F. Dalton. Grand Master Elected, M.W. Charles F. Dalton. Grand Secretary, M.W. Archie S. Harriman. Lodges 103. Members 16,592. Loss 316.

Grand Representative of Manitoba not present.

Distinguished visitors were present from Quebec, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Hampshire and New Jersey.

In his address the Grand Master pointed out the healthy condition of Masonry in spite of a loss in membership which he attributes to a by-product of the troublesome times through which we are passing, it is the spirit of Masonry rather than numbers that tell the story.

A healthy sign is the visitation of Lodges between towns, districts and Jurisdictions.

In his address the Grand Master emphasized the need of a Declaration of Principles as follows:

For some years there has been a recognized need of some official statement of Masonic principles, not for publication but for the better understanding of Masons of their own institution. At the annual session of the Grand Masters this year a declaration was presented, which after consideration by a committee and thorough discussion by the conference was approved for submission to the Grand Jurisdictions to use as they saw fit. It was at once adopted by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts on recommendation of Grand Master Perry and has since been adopted by several other Grand Lodges, while still others are proposing to act upon it at their annual communications.

I have studied this Declaration of Principles and believe it to be a true statement of the nature, objectives and methods of Freemasonry. I therefore submit it to you at this time with the recommendation that the Grand Lodge of Vermont fall in line with other jurisdictions and adopt this as our own:

Freemasonry is a charitable, benevolent, educational and religious society. Its principles are proclaimed as widely as men will hear. Its only secrets are in its methods of recognition and of symbolic instruction.

It is charitable in that it is not organized for profit and none of its income inures to the benefit of any individual, but all is devoted to the promotion of the welfare and happiness of mankind.

It is benevolent in that it teaches and exemplifies altruism as a duty.

It is educational in that it teaches by prescribed ceremonials a system of morality and brotherhood based upon the Sacred Law.

It is religious in that it teaches monotheism, the Volume of the Sacred Law is open upon its altars whenever a Lodge is in session, reverence for God is ever present in its ceremonial, and to its brethren are constantly addressed lessons of morality; yet it is not sectarian or theological.

It is a social organization only so far as it furnishes additional inducement that men may forgather in numbers, thereby providing more material for its primary work of education, of worship and of charity.

Through the improvement and strengthening of the charter of the indvidual man, Freemasonry seeks to improve the community. Thus it impresses upon its members the principles of personal righteousness and personal responsibility, enlightens them as to those thngs which make for human welfare, and inspires them with that feeling of charity, or good will, toward all mankind which will move them to translate principle and conviction into action.

To that end, it teaches and stands for the worship of God; truth and justice; fraternity and philanthropy; and enlightenment and orderly liberty, civil, religious and intellectual. It charges each of its members to be true and loyal to the government of the country to which he owes allegiance and to be obedient to the law of any state in which he may be.

It believes that the attainment of these objectives is best accomplished by laying a broad basis of principle upon which men of every race, country, sect and opinion may unite rather than by setting up a restricted platform upon which only those of certain races, creeds and opinions can assemble.

Believing these things, this Grand Lodge affirms its continued adherence to that ancient and approved rule of Freemasonry which forbids the discussion in Masonic meetings of creeds, politics, or other topics likely to excite personal animosities.

It further affirms its conviction that it is not only contrary to the fundamental principles of Freemasonry, but dangerous to its unity, strength, usefulness and welfare, for Masonic Bodies to take action or attempt to exercise pressure or influence for or against

any legislation, or in any way to attempt to procure the election or appointment of governmental officials, or to influence them, whether or not members of the Fraternity, in the performance of their official duties. The true Freemason will act in civil life according to his individual judgment and the dictates of his conscience.

Apart from the regular Communication an Emergent Communication was held at White River Junction, October 19th, 1938, in order to perform Masonic burial rites over one of Vermont's oldest Past Grand Masters, M.W. Olin W. Daley, where committal service was conducted by the Grand Lodge.

In presenting the reports of the Foreign Correspondence, Manitoba received very generous and careful consideration by M.W. Archie S. Harriman, P.G.M., Grand Secretary.

VERMONT, 1940—

The 149th Annual Communication was held at Burlington, on June 12th, 1940. M.W. Bro. Charles F. Dalton, Grand Master, presiding.

From the Grand Master's address, we find that he believes that the spirit of Masonry is nowhere better shown than in the interchange of visitations between Grand Lodges and between subordinate Lodges. He attended all district meetings.

MASONIC CHARITY

"There has not been as much inquiry on matters of Masonic charity as was reported a year ago. Whether this means that there is less call for assistance or whether the cases have been settled without reference to the Grand Master, I do not know. There are apparently some chronic cases which continue from year to year, presenting problems which require much common sense and good judgment to handle. The Masonic fraternity is not a charitable organization, although there seems to be a definite

opinion to the contrary among many non-Masons. Charity, however, is one of the basic principles of our institution, and as such must be observed in the case of poor and needy brothers. The dispensing of charity is both an art and a science which the inexperienced find difficult to learn and the Masters of Masonic Lodges are usually in the inexperienced class. They know they should practice charity, but to what extent is often a problem. I have no formula to present which will be applicable in all cases. There probably is no such formula, but certain factors should always govern decisions on the subject. First of all comes the question, "Is he a distressed, worthy brother, or is he using his Lodge membership to obtain benefits to which he is not entitled?" Then comes the investigation as to whether he has other means of support which lessen the responsibility of the Lodge; should the Lodge undertake the entire support of a brother, or pay the whole amount of expense in an emergency. Finally, the question is often asked, "Can the Lodge afford it?" This question should not usually be considered. If a certain charity is clearly indicated, it is incumbent upon the lodge to find some means of fulfilling its duty. The Grand Lodge, wisely I believe, leaves matters of charity to the Subordinate Lodge, and it is a very rare occasion when any action on its part is questioned. The Grand Lodge only asks for a report and then reimburses the Lodge for all payments over one dollar per capita. With this provision I believe every Lodge can carry out its obligations, after fraternal, impersonal and mature judgment has been used in making the decision."

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is submitted by M.W. Bro. Archie S. Harriman, P.G.M., Grand Secretary; Manitoba for 1939, being fraternally reviewed.

VICTORIA (AUSTRALIA), 1940—

Quarterly Communications were held at Melbourne, on March 20th, June 19th, September 18th and December 18th.

V.W. Bro. E. J. Carter, P.P.B.B., was in attendance as Grand Representative for Manitoba.

From the March Report of the Board of General Purposes we quote the following:

"The Board has granted permission to wear suitable clothing during the summer months to Lodges meeting in the warmer parts of the State. Such clothing to comprise a white tropical coat fastened up to the neck, black dress trousers, shoes, socks, white gloves and apron."

The Grand Secretary reports a membership of 52,063, a gain of 889 for the year 1939. M.W. Bro. W. H. Byrne was re-elected as Grand Master for a second time.

From his address we quote the following:

"I feel it not inappropriate that I should now make some allusion to the darkening and sinister aspect of world affairs today. At our Jubilee installation in March last year I made reference to Britain as the guardian of the peace of the world—since then unhappily that peace has been ruthlessly and barbarously violated. The very existence of several small nations has practically ended —their people, or what is left of them, impoverished, persecuted and enslaved. There can be no shadow of doubt, however, that grave as the position has been and still is, we are on the eve of happenings of greater magnitude and more frightful character than anything we have yet known.

"The powers of evil are arrayed in formidable strength of man power, armed and equipped with every devilish device and cunning treacherous scheme and plan that fiendish minds can contrive ready to be launched under leaders without scruple or moral restraint of any kind. Prepared to oppose them are the magnificent forces of Right and Justice under the banners of our Great Empire and her gallant ally France, whose leaders, however, are unlike their opponents, restrained by their obligations to honor the rights of small neutral countries and their own sense of chivalry.

"One great factor we have on our side is the Incomparable and Unconquerable British Navy.

"We shall eventually win because God must be on the side of Right and Justice.

"But we must not delude ourselves that victory will be easily achieved. The struggle will be Titanic and may be of long duration. We may expect reverses from time to time. Under such circumstances it is necessary that every citizen of the Empire should give all the support of which he is capable to the winning

of the conflict. It is the duty, therefore, of every citizen of this country to do so, for we are all citizens of the Empire and should be proud of it. As Freemasons we should be examples of loyal citizenship because of what we are taught and profess.

"I cannot presume to tell you all that a loyal citizen should do, but I can suggest what is the least that each one of us can and should do: that is to refrain from and actively discourage and discountenance all carping and uninformed criticism of those who are burdened with the awful responsibility of guiding our destiny in this life and death struggle for our existence. We should have faith. We should show courage and fortitude in all circumstances. Cheerfully bear all burdens that may fall upon us in the course of events.

"Notwithstanding the grave outlook let us whilst facing our responsibility still be not without hope that God may end the awful conflict sooner than seems at present possible and that ere long we may be rejoicing on the overthrow of our enemies and on the establishment of a lasting peace.

"I leave with you one last reminder of our pledge of loyalty to the King and our obligation to 'Be faithful to God, our country and our laws.' "

The reviews of the Proceedings of Grand Jurisdictions were prepared by the Grand Representative of each Jurisdiction reviewed. Manitoba was not represented in the reviews.

VIRGINIA, 1940—

The 162nd Annual Communication was held in the City of Richmond, on February 13th, 1940. M.W. Bro. Judge Kneadham S. Turnbull Jr., Grand Master presiding.

Bro. Lynwood P. Harrell represented Manitoba.

The Grand Master intimated that he made many visits during the year and he visited every district during his term as Grand Master. He is to be congratulated on his activities during the year.

Among the many dispensations issued was one to all Lodges in District No. 35, to take a trip to Bermuda, and while on the island of Bermuda, to confer the first three Degrees according to Virginia Ritual upon Virginia candidates. The agreement to do so would be obtained from the Grand Lodge in order to allow them to confer degrees in Bermuda.

Four Lodges consolidated during the year. The Endowment Committee reports that during the year legacies and cash donations turned over to the Treasurer of the Home, as a result of their Golden Anniversary Appeal, amount to the sum of $45,851.13, bringing the total amount of cash in our Endowment Fund at the present time to $152,261.61; not to say anything of the $44,000,000 in endowment life insurance policies which have been secured by the committee from various lodges, which form a part of the Endowment Fund. Your committee feels certain that since its organization more than $500,000,000 has been written into wills by members of the fraternity in the State of Virginia, which will ultimately come to the Endowment Fund.

The reports of the D.D.G.M.'s make interesting reading and have evidently greatly assisted the Grand Master during his year of office.

From the comparatively small number of lodges and membership we find that they have 330 lodges with a membership of 38,740.

The report of the committee on Fraternal Correspondence is submitted by R.W. Bro. James M. Clift, Grand Secretary, in which Manitoba, 1939, is Fraternally reviewed.

WASHINGTON, 1940—

The Eighty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Washington, Free and Accepted Masons was convened in Bellingham, on June 18th, 1940.

M.W. Grand Master C. P. Kirkland presided. The Financial Report is submitted by the Grand Secretary. M.W. Bro. H. W. Tyler gives a very satisfactory grand balance of $77,977.31 on hand. They do not appear to have an office of Grand Treasurer.

Thirty-one members received the 50 year veteran certificates during the year and it is noted that of these two were raised in Canadian Lodges.

A report is recorded in the proceedings of Research Lodge, No. 281. There are a number of Research Lodges in England, Scotland and Ireland. In the United States there are only four, one each in New York, North Carolina, Oregon and Washington. There is a substantial field for Masonic Research in America. The programme is in its infancy as Masonic students become more familiar with this field of Masonic work, it is expected that Research Lodges will be authorized and formed in other Grand Jurisdictions.

M.W. Bro. W. Gale Matthews responding to the address given to Past Grand Masters, in part said:

"Wor. Sirs, there is need in this Grand Jurisdiction, as there is need throughout the world, for leaders. And there are no men better qualified to serve as leaders in their respective communities than the Masters, Wardens, the Past-Masters, the appointive officers, the members of the constituent Lodges of Masons."

The Report of the Grand Historian, M.W. Bro. Walter F. Meier who was absent through illness, was read by Wor. Bro. Ronald Meier, covers some 26 pages well worth reading. It is the history of the Masonic Moral Mandates of the Grand Lodge of Washington since its formation and only space forbids the quotation of many interesting and instructive passages.

M.W. Bro. Matthew W. Hill was elected Grand Master for the year 1940-41, and in closing Grand Lodge said in part:

"I find an antagonism in many Lodges towards Grand Lodge, a feeling that comes from the days when the only contact was with someone who was critical of something that they were doing, and they got the idea that Grand Lodge existed solely for the purpose of coming in to criticize.

"Brethren, Grand Lodge does not just exist for the purpose of coming in to criticize. The Grand Lodge and the Grand Master and his officers are here for the purpose of helping. They are here for the purpose of trying to help you build a programme that will be attractive, that will be educational, that will be instructive, that will be inspirational to the members of your Lodge."

The 1939 Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was fraternally reviewed.

Past Grand Master Bro. Alonzo E. Emerson, Ellensburg No. 39, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, was present.

Number of Master Masons, 39,420. Number of Lodges, 268; Net loss for year, 360.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, 1940—

The Grand Lodge of Western Australia follows the English custom of holding Quarterly Communications.

The Annual Communication of Grand Lodge was held at Perth, on May 23rd, 1940. The most Worshipful the Grand Master, Dr. J. B. Battye, presided.

There are 9,953 members (an increase of 155) in the 158 Lodges in this Jurisdiction.

The Quarterly Communications may have some desirable features. As an example, the business of Grand Lodge is not allowed to accumulate for twelve months. The reports of the different committees are necessarily brief and perhaps cover fewer subjects.

The Grand Inspector of Workings, supervises the constituent Lodges who is assisted by District Grand Inspectors of Workings, all of whom are appointed by the Grand Master. Their duties appear to be similar to those of our District Deputy Grand Masters.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is prepared by R.W. Bro. James W. E. Archdeacon, P.S.G.W. It is an excellent commentary as he is well posted in Masonry and might well be used by some of our study clubs. Manitoba for 1939 being fraternally reviewed.

WEST VIRGINIA, 1940—

The 76th Annual Communication was held in Parkersburg, on October 16th, 1940. Most Worshipful Bro. Robert S. Lemon, Grand Master, presiding. 13 Past Grand Masters were present at this Communication with the representatives from 161 of the 164 Chartered Lodges in the State.

The Grand Master reports having travelled more than 12,000 miles in carrying out his many duties during the year. Five cornerstones were laid during the year.

Fraternal Correspondence has been established with the National Grand Lodge of Denmark, the Grand Lodge of Sweden, the Grand Lodge Alpina of Switzerland and the Grand Lodge of Tasmania. There are 165 Lodges with a membership of 28,981.

M.W. Bro. Lewis N. Taverner, P.G.M., the veteran reviewer presented the report on Foreign Correspondence. Manitoba for 1939 being fraternally reviewed.

WISCONSIN, 1940—

The 96th Annual Communication was opened in Ample Form in Milwaukee, on June 11th, 1940. M.W. Bro. George F. Lounsbury, Grand Master, presiding.

The Grand Master delivered a businesslike address which is interesting and informative. He is a believer in the candidates being placed in the care of a well informed brother for teaching as to the real meaning and purpose of Masonry, of its history, its legend and the symbolism of the ritual.

Regarding Grand Officers, visits, and with the object of bringing the Grand Lodge closer to the Craft, he instituted a plan of systematic visitation of the Lodges by Grand Lodge officers and the results of those visits were found to be most gratifying.

Freemasonry in this Jurisdiction is making progress and the Grand Master thinks that we may be moving toward a period of very large accessions to our membership as we did twenty years ago, and admonished the Masons and Wardens to exercise the greatest care in selecting applicants.

Life membership has evidently been worrying some of the Lodges owing to incomes shrinking, and a Committee set up to look into this matter has done a great deal of investigating according to their report and more will be heard about this question.

There are 308 Lodges with a membership of 51,551.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is prepared by M.W. Bro. Frank Jenks, P.G.M. Manitoba for 1939, is given an excellent review.

WYOMING, 1940—

The Sixty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge was held at Worland, August 26th and 27th. Most Wor. William J. Haines, Grand Master, and R.W. Joseph M. Lowndes, Grand Secretary, officiating.

In the proceedings a very interesting report is given of a special Communication of Grand Lodge held on July 4th, 1940, at Independance Rock, Wyoming, commemorating the seventy-eighth anniversary of the First Masonic meeting held on the old Oregon Trail in the Rocky Mountain region. On the 4th of July, 1862, twenty masons opened a Lodge on the top of Independence Rock while treking westward and on this present occasion the same Holy Bible was opened on the altar as had rested there seventy-eight years ago. This commemorative gathering is held every tenth year.

Question No. 10, in the decisions, raised an interesting point. "Can we receive and act upon a petition of a retired United States navy man, who has now been called into active service and is stationed here in the recruiting service? He has only been here since October 29th, 1939 (less than six months, but has held civil service appointment in Yellowstone National Park since May 17th, 1937. He would like to get his work at once if elected." The Grand Master's decision was that the petition could not be accepted as the code of Wyoming Grand Lodge held that only to "Commissioned officers, or non-commissioned officers or enlisted men in the army of the United States", length of residence did not apply. At the present session the code was amended by adding, "Navy and Marine Corps" after the word army in section 435.

The Report on Fraternal Correspondence is given by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Joseph M. Lowndes, and the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, 1939, receives special mention. R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr is commended on his reports of Grand Lodges and a lengthy quotation of his review of British Columbia is given.

The Finances of the Grand Lodge are in a prosperous state. Total Membership, June 1940, is 7,805. Net Gain for year 33. No. of Lodges 50. The Grand Lodge meets at Rock Springs, in 1941. August 25th and 26th. M.W. Conrad Johnston, Grand Master. R.W. Joseph M. Lowndes, Grand Secretary.

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SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, met in Annual Communication in the Fort Garry Hotel in the City of Winnipeg, June 3rd, and was opened in Ample Form by the Most Worshipful Grand Master Canon George R. Calvert at 2:40 p.m., prayer being offered by R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey, Grand Chaplain.

PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Canon Geo. R. Calvert (1), Winnipeg.....Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni (11), Gladstone....Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker (4), Winnipeg.....Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Samuel Burland (12), St. Vital.....Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3), Winnipeg.....Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), Winnipeg.....Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey (25), Winnipeg.....Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), Winnipeg.....Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer (10), Winnipeg....Grand Director of Ceremonies
R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset (2), Selkirk.....Grand Librarian
V.W. Bro. J. E. Harrison (50), Killarney.....Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. A. B. Fee (150), Cartwright.....Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. S. W. Robertson (139), Winnipeg.....Senior Grand Steward
W. Bro. C. J. Last (10), Winnipeg.....as Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon (130), Winnipeg.....Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. J. D. McKinlay (1), Winnipeg.....Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Wm. Campbell (127), Winnipeg.....Grand Tyler

R.W. Bro. A. V. Pigott (10),
Winnipeg.....D.D.G.M. 1st Masonic District
R.W. Bro. E. A. Newcomb (108),
East Kildonan.....D.D.G.M. 2nd Masonic District
R.W. Bro. E. B. Litz (87),
Rathwell.....D.D.G.M. 3rd Masonic District
R.W. Bro. W. R. Leslie (13),
Morden.....D.D.G.M. 4th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson (105),
Strathclair.....D.D.G.M. 5th Masonic District

R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27),
Souris..... D.D.G.M. 6th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd (6),
Emerson..... D.D.G.M. 8th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. W. J. Brown (147),
Bowsman..... D.D.G.M. 9th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. R. Watson (112),
Portage la Prairie..... D.D.G.M. 10th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. G. E. Miles (136),
Winnipeg..... D.D.G.M. 12th Masonic District

LIST OF PAST GRAND MASTERS PRESENT

M.W. Bro. H. E. Bletcher (1)
M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3)
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)
M.W. Bro. Jas. Mackie (4)
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (4)
M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin (10)
M.W. Bro. Geo. Hunter (10)
M.W. Bro. G. N. Jackson (25)
M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25)
M.W. Bro. W. J. Major (25)
M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller (25)
M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins (68)
M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway (71)
M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102)
M.W. Bro. Wm. Fenwick (113)
M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt (114)

PRINCE RUPERT'S LODGE NO. 1:

W. Bro. W. A. McKnight...M.
Bro. J. E. Ridd .....S.W.

M.W. Bro. H. E. Bletcher
M.W. Bro. Canon G. R. Calvert
R.W. Bro. H. Coddington
R.W. Bro. Rev. T. Neville
R.W. Bro. G. G. Teeter
V.W. Bro. J. D. McKinlay
V.W. Bro. John McRae
W. Bro. H. E. Beresford
W. Bro. F. W. Brodrick
W. Bro. S. A. Campbell
W. Bro. J. T. Corrie
W. Bro. Sydney Long
W. Bro. M. McElheran
W. Bro. R. C. Scanes
W. Bro. W. T. Whiteford

LISGAR LODGE NO. 2:

Bro. J. E. Doyle.....S.W.

R.W. Bro. Rev. C. E. Somerset
V.W. Bro. W. H. Shead

W. Bro. M. E. Bunn
W. Bro. Thos. Bunn
W. Bro. R. M. Muckle
W. Bro. R. S. Montgomery
W. Bro. J. R. Reid
W. Bro. T. Turner

ANCIENT LANDMARK LODGE NO. 3:

W. Bro. C. J. Last.....M.
Bro. Allan Walters...S.W.
Bro. D. D. Turner....J.W.

M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess
R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant
R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon
W. Bro. P. G. Hawkins
W. Bro. W. F. Hutton
W. Bro. J. C. Irvine
W. Bro. T. C. Jackson
W. Bro. J. L. Knight
W. Bro. A. Lawson
W. Bro. S. J. Sametz

ST. JOHN'S LODGE NO. 4:

W. Bro. Cliff W. Brock.....M.
Bro. A. S. McCann...S.W.
Bro. G. R. Lamont....J.W.

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
M.W. Bro. Jas. Mackie
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods
R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan
R.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker
V.W. Bro. W. C. Birt
V.W. Bro. W. A. Mann
V.W. Bro. W. P. White
W. Bro. Wm. Aldridge
W. Bro. O. L. Best
W. Bro. E. H. Brown
W. Bro. Wm. Carr
W. Bro. T. A. Connell
W. Bro. T. L. Dodsworth
W. Bro. Syd. Foreman
W. Bro. E. L. Jukes
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W. Bro. L. H. Sprange

JUBILEE LODGE NO. 147:

Bro. A. Caughlin.....J.W.

R.W. Bro. W. J. Brown
W. Bro. J. D. Houston

SEVEN OAKS LODGE NO. 148:

W. Bro. A. Collicutt .....M.
Bro. J. Woodmass....S.W.
Bro. F. Burrows .....J.W.

R.W. Bro. F. W. Brownell
W. Bro. Jas. Love
W. Bro. M. McDonald
W. Bro. A. C. Pritchard

CARTWRIGHT LODGE NO. 150:

W. Bro. C. R. Beswatherick.M.

V.W. Bro. A. B. Fee
W. Bro. H. D. Churchill
W. Bro. W. H. Newton

THE DORMER LODGE NO. 151:

W. Bro. Sydney Smith.....M.
Bro. G. H. Ball.....S.W.
Bro. Robt. Miller.....J.W.

V.W. Bro. Jas. Buchan
W. Bro. W. G. Brisley
W. Bro. J. Elder
W. Bro. A. E. Longstaffe
W. Bro. D. F. S. Reid
W. Bro. R. W. Ross

FOXWARREN LODGE NO. 152:

R.W. Bro. Louis Armit

FLIN FLON LODGE NO. 153:

W. Bro. S. E. T. Dodd.....M.

PINE FALLS LODGE NO. 154:

Bro. J. J. Jackson....J.W.

W. Bro. Wm. Bird
W. Bro. G. Dawson
W. Bro. E. J. Kahle
W. Bro. D. C. Robertson
W. Bro. F. W. Tammadge
W. Bro. E. F. Tanner

CARMAN LODGE NO. 155:

W. Bro. F. W. Evans
W. Bro. W. S. Hallett
W. Bro. Wm. Reid

MANITOUWAPA LODGE NO. 156:

W. Bro. D. Ferguson.....M.
Bro. A. J. Walkin....J.W.

ADOPTING REGULATIONS

Moved by R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3), that the regulations for conducting the Sessions of Grand Lodge be adopted as printed. Carried.

READING OF MINUTES

Moved by M.W. Bro. George Hunter (10), seconded by R.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni (11) that the Minutes of the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, having been printed in the Proceedings, be taken as read. Carried.

REPORT OF NOMINATIONS

The Grand Secretary reported the following nominations had been received for the Grand Lodge Officers, Board of General Purposes and District Deputy Grand Masters:

Grand Master:

R.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni, Gladstone Lodge No. 11.

Deputy Grand Master:

R.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker, St. John's Lodge No. 4.

Senior Grand Warden:

R.W. Bro. Samuel Burland, Stonewall Lodge No. 12.

Junior Grand Warden:

R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.
R.W. Bro. Arthur V. Pigott, Northern Light Lodge No. 10.
R.W. Bro. Peter T. Pilkey, Ionic Lodge No. 25.
R.W. Bro. George E. Miles, Capitol Lodge No. 136.

Grand Treasurer:

R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.

Grand Secretary:

R.W. Bro. John H. G. Russell, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114.

Grand Chaplain:

W. Bro. Rev. John L. McInnis, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114.

Grand Historian:

M.W. Bro. William Douglas, St. John's Lodge No. 4.

Grand Director of Ceremonies:

R.W. Bro. Charles R. Sayer, Northern Light Lodge No. 10.

Grand Librarian:

R.W. Bro. Rev. Charles E. Somerset, Lisgar Lodge No. 2.

Board of General Purposes:

W. Bro. H. E. Beresford, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.
R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.
W. Bro. Kenneth R. Kennedy, St. John's Lodge No. 4.
R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran, Glenwood Lodge No. 27.
R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate, Killarney Lodge No. 50.
R.W. Bro. Chas. A. Midwinter, Acacia Lodge No. 111.
R.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan, Tweed Lodge No. 113.
W. Bro. Robert E. Emmett, St. James Lodge No. 121.

W. Bro. E. R. Siddall, Fort Garry Lodge No. 130.
R.W. Bro. George E. Miles, Capitol Lodge No. 136.
R.W. Bro. Hugh Mackenzie, Meridian Lodge No. 140.
R.W. Bro. Thos. Stockdale, Sturgeon Creek Lodge No. 145.
R.W. Bro. Frank W. Brownell, Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148.

District Deputy Grand Masters:

First Masonic District:

W. Bro. Kenneth R. Kennedy, St. John's Lodge No. 4.
W. Bro. Frank H. Baxter, King Edward Lodge No. 93.

Second Masonic District:

W. Bro. Ernest A. Strain, St. Andrews's Lodge No. 116.
W. Bro. Thomas E. Squire, McCreary Lodge No. 133.

Third Masonic District:

V.W. Bro. James D. Harrower, Wawanesa Lodge No. 67.

Fourth Masonic District:

W. Bro. Walter H. Newton, Cartwright Lodge No. 150.

Fifth Masonic District:

W. Bro. John T. Shanks, Corinthian Lodge No. 15.

Sixth Masonic District:

W. Bro. William L. Leppert, Kilwinning Lodge No. 110.

Seventh Masonic District:

W. Bro. Clifford C. MacLeod, Lansdowne Lodge No. 107.

Eighth Masonic District:

W. Bro. Arthur Duncan, Midlothian Lodge No. 90.

Ninth Masonic District:

W. Bro. Alfred J. Webb, Hiram Lodge No. 94.
W. Bro. Henry A. Alley, Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100.

Tenth Masonic District:

W. Bro. Robert M. Muckle, Lisgar Lodge No. 2.
W. Bro. James W. L. Lindsay, Stonewall Lodge No. 12.
W. Bro. Henry Wilson, Kildonon Lodge No. 131.
W. Bro. William Bird, Pine Falls Lodge, No. 154.

Twelfth Masonic District:

W. Bro. David Griffith, Windsor Lodge No. 139.
W. Bro. Earo Haid, Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143.
W. Bro. George Florence, Fidelity Lodge No. 146.

CORRESPONDENCE

Fraternal Greetings were received from the following Grand Representatives:

W. Bro. Lloyd Peabody, St. Paul, Minnesota,
R.W. Bro. Robert A. Hutchison, Manassas, Virginia,
W. Bro. George W. Schneider, New Albany, Indiana,
R.W. Bro. Williard A. Hunt, Forrestville, Connecticut.

Cordial Greetings were received from the Grand Chapter of Manitoba, Order of the Eastern Star. These were acknowledged.

The following letters were received acknowledging receipt of funds from our War Effort Subscriptions:

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

September 18th, 1941.

Dear Sir:

The Queen commands me to write and thank you for your letter of July 25th and to ask you to convey Her Majesty's warmest thanks to the Freemasons of Manitoba who have so very generously sent the sum of £1118.11.4. to be used to help bombed-out children.

The Queen is deeply touched by the beneficence of the Freemasons of Manitoba, and Her Majesty hopes that you will assure them of her very real gratitude.

The Queen has caused the cheque to be forwarded to the Lord Mayor of London's Fund, which is the Central Fund for bombed-out children as well as for grown-ups.

I am to add that Her Majesty is much touched by the loyal sentiments and admiration expressed on behalf of your Brethren.

Yours faithfully,
KATHERINE SEYMOUR
(Signed)
Lady-in-Waiting.

Canon George R. Calvert,
Grand Master,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

THE LORD MAYOR'S NATIONAL AIR RAID DISTRESS FUND

The Mansion House,
London, E.C. 4

Patron:
Her Majesty the Queen.

Dear Canon Calvert:

I have received from Her Majesty the Queen a cheque for £1118.11.4. which the Grand Lodge of Manitoba have been kind enough to send for my fund.

Such a handsome donation is but another example of that kindly sympathy and spontaneous generosity of which the people in Canada, have, during the past year, given such striking proof. It would be difficult, in fact impossible, for me to express adequately how much this has meant to those unfortunate people who have suffered so much from enemy air attacks.

The Queen informs me that you would be particularly interested to hear that the Fund not only affords assistance to adults but also to young children. Early this year I made a large grant to the Nursery School Association in order to help its valuable work in the establishment of Emergency Nursery Centres, in which are received young children under five whose homes have been destroyed or damaged by enemy air attacks.

I regard this as a particularly useful piece of work because in these Centres young children can be cared for amongst peaceful surroundings whilst their parents are engaged on work of national importance.

Recently, too, we have authorized money to be spent from the Fund on making special provision for young children in the Emergency Rest Centres to which they are removed immediately after their homes have been bombed.

I can assure you and all your generous subscribers that I am constantly reviewing the ways and means by which

the money you have placed at my disposal can be utilized to the best advantage on behalf of those who have suffered so much.

I have much pleasure in enclosing an official receipt.

Yours truly,
GEORGE H. WILKINSON
(Signed)
Lord Mayor.

(Official Receipt No. 76363
18th September, 1941)

UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND,
FREEMASONS' HALL

Gt. Queen Street, London,
October 2nd, 1941.

Dear Right Worshipful Brother:

I have received from our Grand Master, H.R.H. The Duke of Kent, a cheque for £1,118.11.4. which was so kindly presented to him by the Grand Master of your Jurisdiction towards our War Relief Fund.

I feel I must add my thanks to those already expressed by His Royal Highness for this generous gift, which will be so helpful to us in relieving the distress of those who have suffered by enemy action. I cannot tell you how gratefully assistance from this Fund has been received. We have found again and again that an immediate monetary grant has done so much to help those stricken families over the difficult period before more permanent arrangements can be made, and I can assure you that your support is much appreciated.

With grateful thanks,
Believe me,
Yours sincerely and fraternally,
SYDNEY A. WHITE
(Signed)
Grand Secretary.

R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
Masonic Temple, Winnipeg.

MINISTER OF FINANCE
CANADA.

Ottawa, September 19, 1941.

Dear Mr. Russell:

It has been brought to my attention that the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M. has made a further donation of $5,000.00 to Canada's War effort, this amount having been contributed to the Grand Lodge General War Effort Fund by Ionic Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Winnipeg.

I wish to express my thanks and the thanks of the Government for this exceedingly generous gift. The continued interest and support of the Grand Lodge is deeply appreciated by my colleagues and myself.

The amount has been deposited in the Consolidated Revenue Fund, from which war equipment is bought.

Yours very truly,

J. L. ILSLEY
(Signed)

J. H. G. Russell, Esq.,
Grand Secretary,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.
Masonic Temple,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER
CANADA.

Ottawa, October 13, 1941.

Canon George R. Calvert,
Grand Master,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.
St. Matthew's Church,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Dear Canon Calvert:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of October the 9th and the enclosed cheque for $35,000.00 in favour of the

Receiver General of Canada, which you sent on behalf of the Freemasons of Manitoba, as a contribution to the Empire War Effort.

My colleagues and I are very grateful for this generous and patriotic resolve to contribute so splendidly to the War Effort of our Country. I wish to express to you, and through you to the Freemasons of Manitoba, the warm thanks and appreciation of the government. Such actions on the part of Canadian citizens, both in groups and as individuals, have been most encouraging to the government in the conduct of the National War Effort.

Yours sincerely,

W. L. MACKENZIE KING
(Signed)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes begs to report as follows:

Since the Grand Lodge Communication in June, 1941, the Board has held seven meetings, and the following is a synopsis of the business transacted:

MEETING, THURSDAY, JUNE 5th, 1941.
(33 members present)

This meeting was held after the close of Grand Lodge for organization. R.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni became Chairman by virtue of his office; R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker was appointed Vice-Chairman.

The Committee to strike Standing Committees consisted of M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, Chairman; M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd, M.W. Bro. George Hunter, R.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker and R.W. Bro. Sam. Burland.

MEETING, FRIDAY, JUNE 20th, 1941.
(18 members present)

The report of the Committee to strike the Standing Committees was presented and adopted.

A charge laid against one of their members by Midlothian Lodge No. 90, was read and the following Commission was appointed to conduct the trial: R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green, Chairman, W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy, R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Secretary.

NEW LODGE HALLS

Letters were received giving information that the new Lodge Halls for East Star Lodge No. 55 and Rivers Lodge No. 115 were about ready for occupation, and as soon as the District Deputy Grand Masters concerned reported the Lodge Halls were completed satisfactorily, permission be granted the two Lodges, to occupy their new quarters.

GRAND LODGE WAR EFFORT

The Most Worshipful Grand Master was asked to appoint a Committee to consider the disposition of the Fund collected and report to a Meeting of the Board on Thursday, July 3rd.

The following Committee was appointed with M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, Convener:

M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert
M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
M.W. Bro. W. J. Major
M.W. Bro. J. T. Boyd
R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green
R.W. Bro. H. T. Waters
R.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald

It was reported that in a few of the Masonic Districts there appeared to be a little dissatisfaction with the new method of nominating and electing the District Deputy Grand Masters. The Board was of the opinion that the new method would work out satisfactorily.

MEETING, THURSDAY, JULY 3rd, 1941.
(28 members present)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon reported on the cost of bonding Lodge Secretaries, and the matter was referred to the Jurisprudence and Appeals Committee for their study and recommendation.

WAR EFFORT

The Special Committee selected by the Grand Master presented a unanimous report to dispose of the Funds collected as follows:

$5,000.00 be paid to H.R.H. the Duke of Kent, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, for work among Empire troops in England.

$5,000.00 be paid to Her Majesty the Queen to augment her fund for bombed-out children.

$40,000.00 be paid into the Treasury of the Dominion of Canada for Empire War Effort.

MEETING, SEPTEMBER 19th, 1941.
(29 members present)

A letter was read from "The Sovereign Great Priory of Canada" enclosing their cheque for $200.00 a gift to our War Effort Fund. This was gratefully acknowledged.

The Jurisprudence and Appeals Committee reported on the question of bonding Secretaries and the following resolution was adopted:

"That the matter of Fidelity Bonds covering Secretaries of Lodges be referred to the District Deputy Grand Masters and that their attention be called to the provisions of the Constitution regarding the duties of the Master in regard to Fidelity Bonds."

The Committee on Masonic Research and Education brought up the question of sending speakers to various Lodges, asking that their expenses be paid. The following resolution was presented and adopted:

"The Committee on Research and Education recommends that in cases where the Committee desires to send speakers to Lodges, that the out-of-pocket expenses of such speakers be paid. and that the Committee on Finance provide the necessary funds for such expenditure."

This was referred to the Finance Committee.

MEETING, NOVEMBER 26th, 1941.
(30 members present)

A letter from "Belmont" Lodge No. 13 suggesting they be granted permission to change the name to Morden Lodge No. 13.

It was agreed to grant this request as soon as Belmont Lodge passes a Resolution to make the change, after giving their membership one month's notice. The Charter and Act of Incorporation to be changed at the expense of Belmont Lodge No. 13.

A letter from Patricia Lodge No. 125 requesting the Board to appoint a Trial Commission to hold a Masonic Trial in the case of one of their members.

The Board decided a Trial should be held and appointed the following Commission: R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green, Chairman, W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy, R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Secretary.

The Investment Committee reported that they had authorized the purchase of a War Savings Certificate for $600.00 at a cost of $480.00. That the sum of $1,500.00 be deposited in the Post Office Savings Bank Account and the surplus fund of $7,000.00 be placed in the Savings Bank account. These sums are set aside to purchase bonds of the next Dominion Government War Loan.

The M.W. Grand Master was asked to appoint Committees to make arrangements for the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

MEETING, FEBRUARY 20th, 1942.
(28 members present)

A letter was read from Belmont Lodge No. 13 stating they had complied with the request of the Board, and the change of name to "Morden" Lodge No. 13 had been unanimously passed at their regular meeting on January 15th, 1942. The Board approved.

A report was read in connection with Glenwood Lodge having raised funds for the purchase of the Building where their Lodge Hall was. The funds had been subscribed and the Building purchased.

The Investment Committee reported the purchase of $9,500.00 of Second Victory Loan Bonds; $3,700.00 on account of the Relief Fund and $5,800.00 on Capital Account in the Trust Fund.

Strathcona Lodge No. 117 asked for a Trial against one of their members. The Board decided that from the evidence submitted a trial was warranted and appointed the following Commission: R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green, Chairman; W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy and R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Secretary.

MEETING, APRIL 17th, 1942.
(31 members present)

SPECIAL WAR EFFORT COMMITTEE

This Committee presented its report suggesting that Grand Lodge raise $5,000.00 per year during the duration, and the following resolution was adopted:

"That the Board recommend to Grand Lodge to raise the sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00), per annum to be devoted to such war service as the Board may direct."

COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF FREEMASONRY

The Chairman, R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker, presented the report of the Committee consisting largely of a Declaration of Principles, as follows:

In the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland and Scotland, as well as in many Grand Lodges in the United States of America, it has been deemed wise and expedient to set forth in precise form the principles of Freemasonry.

In other Grand Lodges, it has been maintained that the Ancient Landmarks of the Order and/or the Constitutions of the respective Grand Lodges sufficiently set forth the principles of Freemasonry, and that therefore no specific declaration is needed.

If there is need for an understanding of the Principles of Freemasonry, it cannot be regarded as satisfactory to leave the ascertainment of those principles to the deductions of individual Freemasons from the Ancient Landmarks or from the Symbolism of Freemasonry, particularly when there is no unanimity as to how many Landmarks there are, or what really constitute the Landmarks. Moreover a careful consideration of the generally accepted Landmarks will show that if we adopt Mackey's Catalogue of twenty-five Landmarks, two only can be said to state or imply principles of the Craft—the other twenty-three are concerned with matters of procedure and practice and prerogatives. The two Landmarks referred to are the nineteenth, which requires a belief in the existence of God as the Grand Architect of the Universe, and the twentieth, which deals with the belief in the future life. No safe or satisfactory deduction can be made from the Lankmarks. Neither our Act of Incorporation nor our Constitution enunciates the principles of Freemasonry, so that in this Grand Jurisdiction, at least, there should be an enunciation of principles, if it is desirable that they be made known.

Is it then desirable that the principles of Freemasonry should be known? This question involves the consideration of the subject as related to the members of the Craft, and also to those outside the Order. As to the first, it can do no injury, and should do much good to have every Freemason conscious of the principles of the Masonic Fraternity. This seems particularly true at the present time, when, after years of oft repeated falsehood, the enemies of freedom have created an entirely wrong opinion in many minds, even amongst our own members, as to the things Freemasonry strives to accomplish. These false impressions should be destroyed, and our members given a clear and concise statement. Such a statement will also give a better understanding of our work, and with understanding, a greater willingness and desire to co-operate in the attainment of the purposes of the Craft as derived from its principles. As Freemasons, we should know the principles upon which we build.

Many persons outside the Order have a wrong conception of it, as they were intended to have. Freemasonry is not called upon to defend itself, but it is nevertheless interested in meeting and dispelling any misconception regarding its principles and purposes, not only from a sense of fairness to itself, but also out of fairness to those who would be just to it, if they had knowledge. Moreover, men who might be desirous of associating with us, if they knew the truth concerning Freemasonry, are kept aloof from lack of that knowledge.

From every point of view, a declaration of principles seems desirable. What, then, should such a declaration comprise? The declaration adopted by the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, and Scotland, and which in substantially the same form, was adopted in many Grand Lodges in the United States of America, is a satisfactory statement, save that it does not directly and positively refer to the belief in the Supreme Being as an essential requirement. With this addition, the declaration adopted as above mentioned, seems admirable for our purposes, and is recommended to every member of the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction.

The declaration of principles recommended is as follows:

DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

The first condition of admission into and membership in the Order, is a belief in the Supreme Being. This is essential, and admits of no compromise.

Freemasonry is a charitable, benevolent, educational and religious society. Its principles are proclaimed as widely as men will hear. Its only secrets are in its methods of recognition and of symbolic instruction.

It is charitable in that it is not organized for profit and none of its income inures to the benefit of any individual, but all is devoted to the promotion of the welfare and happiness of mankind.

It is benevolent in that it teaches and exemplifies altruism as a duty.

It is educational in that it teaches by prescribed ceremonials a system of morality and brotherhood based upon the Sacred Law.

It is religious in that it teaches monotheism, the volume of the Sacred Law is open upon its altars whenever a Lodge is in session, reverence for God is ever present in its ceremonial, and to its brethren are constantly addressed lessons of morality, yet it is not sectarian or theological.

It is a social organization only so far as it furnishes additional inducement that men may forgather in numbers, thereby providing more material for its primary work of education, of worship and of charity.

Through the improvement and strengthening of the character of the individual man, Freemasonry seeks to improve the community. Thus it impresses upon its members the principles of personal righteousness and personal responsibility, enlightens them as to those things which make for human welfare, and inspires them with that feeling of charity, or good will toward all mankind, which will move them to translate principles and conviction into action.

To that end, it teaches and stands for the worship of God; truth and justice, fraternity and philanthropy; enlightenment and orderly liberty, civil, religious and intellectual. It charges each of its members to be true and loyal to the government of the country to which he owes allegiance and to be obedient to the law of any state in which he may be.

It believes that the attainment of these objectives is best accomplished by laying a broad basis of principle upon which men of every race, country, sect and opinion may unite, rather than by setting up a restricted platform upon which only those of certain races, creeds and opinions can assemble.

Believing these things, this Grand Lodge affirms its continued adherence to that ancient and approved rule of Freemasonry which forbids the discussion in Masonic meetings of creeds, politics, or other topics likely to excite personal animosities.

It further affirms its conviction that it is not only contrary to the fundamental principles of Freemasonry, but dangerous to its unity, strength, usefulness and welfare, for Masonic bodies to take action or attempt to exercise pressure or influence for or against any legislation, or in any way to attempt to procure the election or appointment of government officials, or to influence them, whether or not members of the Fraternity, in the performance of their official duties. The true Freemason will act in civil life according to his individual judgment and the dictates of his conscience.

The Report was adopted by the Board, and recommended to Grand Lodge.

TRIAL COMMISSION

The Commission reported they had received a letter from Patricia Lodge No. 125 presenting a unanimous resolution passed by the Lodge, asking the Commission to allow them to withdraw the charge against Bro . . . The Commission reported they had agreed to the request.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

The following amendments were presented and were referred to the Jurisprudence and Appeals Committee to consider and report.

NOTICE OF MOTION

"That Section Four of the Constitution be amended by deleting all that portion thereof after the word 'appropriate' in the third line thereof, and adding the following:

> 'In the case of a member of this Jurisdiction notice of motion to confer such rank and distinction shall be sent, in writing, by the mover, to the Grand Secretary not later than the first day of March preceding the Annual Communication, at which, such motion is to be proposed. In the case of a Sister Jurisdiction, notice of motion shall not be necessary. In either case, a two-third majority of the members present and voting shall be necessary.' "

NOTICE OF MOTION

"Add to Section 164 of the Constitution the following:

'Candidates in the Entered Apprentice Degree must be prepared and received individually and after they have been presented by the Senior Warden and have answered singly the questions addressed to them by the Master may, at the discretion of the Master thereafter be taken collectively. Candidates in the Master Mason Degree may be taken collectively to the end of the obligation but if taken collectively they must retire to the preparation room to be readmitted and raised singly, after which they may again be taken collectively.' "

NOTICE OF MOTION

"To Section 166 of the Constitution, add the following subsection (a):

'No lodge nor any member thereof shall recognize or receive a Demit or Certificate of Standing of a member of a Sister Jurisdiction until such has been approved by the Grand Secretary.' "

NOTICE OF MOTION

"To add to Subsection (i) of Section 132, after the words 'Grand Lodge' the following:

'Together with the demits or Certificates of Standing of Masons affiliating during the term and preserve a copy of the Returns.' "

NOTICE OF MOTION

"To follow Section 123 of the Constitution:

'No officer of a Lodge shall demit or resign his office during the term for which he was installed, and every installed officer shall hold his office until his successor shall have been elected or appointed and installed, unless his office shall become vacant as provided herein:

(a) By death
(b) By deprivation of Office
(c) By removal from the Jurisdiction
(d) By suspension or expulsion.' "

The Jurisprudence and Appeals Committee reported later to the Grand Secretary and you will be asked to give their report your consideration at the forthcoming Grand Lodge Communication.

MEETING, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3rd, 1942.

The reports of the Standing Committees were presented and received for presentation to Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY H. FAHRNI,
President.

On motion of R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), seconded by R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4), the Report was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I beg to submit the Sixty-seventh Annual Report of this Grand Lodge, for the year ending December 31st, 1941.

The Proceedings of the last Annual Communication were prepared and copies mailed to each of our Constituent Lodges, members of the Board, and, as far as possible to the Grand Lodges with whom we hold fraternal relations. All Grand Lodge and other Certificates, together with the usual Warning Circulars, and other Official Notices were duly attended to.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

On the authority of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, the following Commissions as Grand Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., were issued:

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.....	R.W. Bro. W. O. Fraser, vice-R.W. Bro. W. R. McConnell who removed from the Jurisdiction.
Grand Lodge Alpina of Switzerland.	W. Bro. William Planta vice-W. Bro. John Stucke, deceased.
Grand Lodge of Idaho.....	W. Bro. Neil R. Fitch, vice-W. Bro. Geo. M. Scott, deceased.

Grand Lodge of New York..... W. Bro. Christian H. G. Sorge, vice-R.W. Bro. Edwin W. Seager, term expired.

Grand Lodge of Virginia..... R.W. Bro. R. A. Hutchinson, vice-P.G.M. Lynwood P. Harrell, deceased.

DISPENSATIONS:

By authority of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, the following Dispensations were issued:

To attend Church Service in Regalia.
Lodges: 2, 6, 11, 12, 24, 29, 75, 104, 105, 108, 111, 116, 117, 119, 123, 124 (2), 127, 138, 142 (2), 153.
Masonic Districts 1, 6, and 12..... 25

Amendments to By-Laws:
Lodges: 7, 24, 40, 43, 44, 48, 64, 74, 75, 93, 107, 108, 118, 119, 124, 129, 136, 139, 150, 155.
New By-Laws: 6 and 143..... 22

Change of date, place or hour of meeting:
Lodges: 72, 77, 82 (2), 101, 104, 108, 114, 118, 125 (2), 143..... 12

Special Meetings:
Lodges: 25, 50, 52, 102, 104, 122, 124, 140, 153..... 9

Elections and Installations:
Lodges: 1, 13, 27, 29 (2), 36, 39, 43 (2), 68, 71, 75, 87, 100, 103, 106 (2), 107, 109, 117, 129, 131, 147, 156 24

Confer Degrees within the prescribed time:
Lodges: 2, 3, 11, 19, 52, 77, 104, 121, 145..... 9

Joint Installations:
Lodges: 131 and 151; 94 and 100, 19 and 113; 50 and 150 8

Total..... 109

Your attention is called to the number of dispensations issued for Elections and Installations, due in large part to the Lodges who still use the phases of the moon for their meeting nights. Last November the moon failed them and this is the month when, according to our Constitution, Lodge Elections are

to take place. Seven Lodges changed their meeting nights during the past year to a regular stated night each month, which avoids the difficulties of relying on the moon for guidance.

The Semi-Annual returns were received from all of the Constituent Lodges covering their operations during the year 1941, but I regret to report that there is too much delay in sending in the returns. Only 35 Lodges out of 104 had their December returns in on schedule time. We would appreciate an improvement in this regard.

We regret to report a further net loss in membership for the year, of 118, as shown by the following table prepared from the returns of our Constituent Lodges.

Number of Lodges at December 31st, 1941.....104			
Membership at December 31st, 1940			10,113
Error in Lodge Returns			1
		Total	10,112
	1940	1941	
Initiated	202	188	
Affiliated	91	96	
Reinstated	57	47	
	350	331	331
			10,443
Loss through Demitted	135	135	
Loss through Suspensions	202	131—(1 U.M.C.)	
Loss through Death	174	183	
	511	449	449
Membership at December 31st, 1941			9,994
Net loss for the year			118

Fifty-three Lodges had no Suspensions during the year 1941, being ten more than in the previous year.
34 Lodges had an increase in membership.
49 Lodges had a decrease in membership.
21 Lodges remained stationary in membership.

Degrees conferred during the year:

Initiated	188
Passed	179
Raised	175
Total	542

Our peak membership was in 1930 with 12,477 on our Rolls; the following year 1931, there was a net loss of 57, in 1932 a net loss of 362, and since then, there has been a gradual improvement and this past year shows the smallest loss since 1932.

This past year we lost 183 through death, the largest number on the records of our Grand Lodge. Loss through Suspension of 131, is less in number than any year since 1921—this is an encouraging sign.

There were eighteen changes in Secretaries of our Constituent Lodges during the year:

Two joined His Majesty's Forces:

W. Bro. John Conner, of Vermillion Lodge No. 68.
R.W. Bro. C. C. Setterington, of Flin Flon Lodge No. 153.

Two passed away:

W. Bro. E. E. Tilley, of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 14.
W. Bro. F. G. Hilbert, of Shellmouth Lodge No. 129.

We express our sympathy to the brethren of these two Lodges in the loss they have sustained through the passing of their Secretaries.

LODGE HALLS

The following Lodges are to be congratulated on purchasing buildings for Lodge purposes, and are now comfortably installed in their own Lodge homes:

Glenwood Lodge No. 27
East Star Lodge No. 55
Rivers Lodge No. 115

Our thanks and appreciation are extended to the Lodges of the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts for the fine service rendered by their Sick and Visiting Committees in calling on the sick members of our Lodges from outside the Winnipeg area, including some from our Sister Jurisdictions, who reported to us regarding sick brethren laid aside in our hospitals. Unfortunately in some cases, we were notified too late, and a few had recovered and left for their homes. We will always be pleased to attend to these requests. Number of requests 60.

COURTESIES

On account of a large number of our brethren who have joined His Majesty's Forces and only received the Entered Apprentice Degree or the Fellow Craft Degree in their own Lodges, and before they could have the other Degrees conferred were moved away by the military to other parts of the Dominion. Under the direction of our M.W. Grand Master, requests were made to other Grand Jurisdictions to confer the remaining degrees as a courtesy to us. We have likewise, had the privilege of carrying out the same work for Sister Jurisdictions, and express our grateful thanks to all the Lodges who have performed this service.

MASONIC PUBLICATIONS

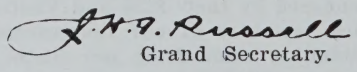
Our grateful thanks are extended to those who have continued to send their publications to the Grand Secretary's Office, which are placed on our Library Tables for study. Their thoughtfulness is fully appreciated.

It was a great pleasure as well as a privilege to accompany our Most Worshipful Grand Master on his Official Visits, including all of our Masonic District Meetings, and thank him for his unfailing kindness and consideration.

On account of the inability of our Grand Master and our Deputy Grand Master to attend the Annual Sessions of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan held at Moose Jaw, in June last, our Most Worshipful Grand Master asked me to attend their Sessions and convey his warm fraternal greetings and best wishes for a most successful Communication to our daughter Grand Lodge. They conferred on your Grand Secretary honorary membership, with the rank of Past Grand Secretary. This honor is greatly appreciated by me, and it is also a gracious gesture to their mother Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

We also express our thanks to the Grand Lodge Officers, including our District Deputy Grand Masters and to the Secretaries of the Constituent Lodges for their co-operation and assistance during the year.

Fraternally submitted,



Grand Secretary.

Moved by R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), seconded by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (4), the report was referred to the Committee on Grand Secretary's Report. Adopted.

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master,
Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Herewith I beg to submit the following duly audited statements covering the various accounts in connection with the Grand Lodge finances, as at the 31st of March, 1942:

General Fund:

Exhibit "A". Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "B". Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Exhibit "C". Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.
Schedule "1". Accounts Receivable.
Schedule "2". Details of Miscellaneous Expenditure.

Benevolent Endowment Fund and Beneficiary Fund:

Exhibit "D". Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "E". Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Exhibit "F". Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.
Schedule "3". Details of Cash Receipts.
Schedule "4". Statement of Beneficiary Fund.
Schedule "5". Mortgage Loans, Interest, Taxes and Insurance, etc., Receivable Benevolent Endowment Fund.

All bonds owned by Grand Lodge are fully registered. They have been inspected by the Auditor and found to be in order.

Fraternally submitted,

ALEX. BURGESS,
Grand Treasurer.

April 6th, 1942.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master,
Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge
of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

We desire to report that we have audited the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer of The Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31st, 1942, and in connection submit the following Financial Statements.

General Fund:

Exhibit "A". Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "B". Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Exhibit "C". Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.
Schedule "1". Accounts Receivable.
Schedule "2". Details of Miscellaneous Expenditure.

Benevolent Endowment Fund and Beneficiary Fund:

Exhibit "D". Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "E". Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Exhibit "F". Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.
Schedule "3". Details of Cash Receipts.
Schedule "4". Statement of Beneficiary Fund.
Schedule "5". Mortgage Loans, Interest, Taxes and Insurance, etc., Receivable Benevolent Endowment Fund.

Cash in Bank:

The balances at Bank were confirmed by certificates obtained by us direct from the Bank.

Investments:

The securities representing the investments were inspected by us and found in order.

All Bonds and Debentures are fully registered in the name of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

The Interest due on the Province of Alberta Debentures is in default six years.

Yours truly,

ADAM ARMSTRONG & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

Exhibit "A"

BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL FUND
As at March 31st, 1942

ASSETS

Current:		
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce	$2,378.55	
Cash in Hand (Petty)	17.81	
Accounts Receivable (Per Schedule "I")	970.88	
		$3,367.24
Inventories:		
Supplies and Stock	$3,025.00	
Valued at		1.00
Equipment:		
Furniture and Fixtures	$ 790.00	
Regalia	675.00	
Library and Fixtures	.2,225.00	
	$3,690.00	
Valued at		1.00
		$3.369.24

LIABILITIES

Beneficiary Fund (Loan)	$2,000.00
Surplus (Per Exhibit "B")	1,369.24
	$3,369.24

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 31st, 1942, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31st, 1942.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ADAM ARMSTRONG & CO.
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 6th, 1942.

Exhibit "B"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended March 31st, 1942.

INCOME

Dues	$ 8,854.00
Initiations	372.00
M.M. Certificates	375.00
P.M. Certificates	65.00
L.M. Certificates	73.00
L.M. Fees	370.00
Dispensations	53.00
Supplies	25.42
	$10,187.42

EXPENDITURE

Salaries	$4,080.00	
Rent	1,000.00	
Postage and Stamp Tax	279.14	
Stationery and Office Supplies	314.63	
Regalia Grand Master	280.00	
Expense Grand Master	500.00	
M.M. Certificates	39.96	
Committee on Condition of Freemasonry	16.79	
Library Maintenance	1,186.40	
Jewel P.G.M.	20.00	
Unemployment Insurance	21.06	
Exchange	27.01	
Miscellaneous	2,635.82	
		10,400.81
Net Deficit for Year		$ 213.39
Surplus as at March 31st, 1941	$ 1,166.78	
Add War Effort Committee Refund	415.85	
		1,582.62
Surplus as at March 31st, 1942		$ 1,369.24

Exhibit "C"

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended March 31st, 1942.

RECEIPTS

Subordinate Lodges		$11,490.73
Cash Sales—Supplies, etc.		8.35
Exchange		3.36
War Effort Fund Committee Refund		441.76
Total Receipts		$11,944.20
Cash in Bank, April 1st. 1941	$2,874.01	
Cash in Hand, April 1st, 1941	5.52	
		2,879.53
		$14,823.73

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	$4,080.00	
Rent	1,000.00	
Beneficiary Fund (Account Loan)	1,000.00	
Postage and Stamp Tax	279.14	
Stationery and Office Supplies	314.63	
Regalia Grand Master	280.00	
Expense Grand Master	500.00	
M.M. Certificates	39.96	
Committee on Condition of Freemasonry	11.84	
Library—Maintenance	1,186.40	
Jewel P.G.M.	20.00	
Supplies	632.24	
Unemployment Insurance	21.06	
Benevolent Fund (Life Members Fees)	370.00	
Exchange	30.37	
Miscellaneous (Per Schedule "2")	2,661.73	
		12,427.37
Cash in Bank, March 31st, 1942	2,378.55	
Cash in hand, March 31st, 1942 (Petty)	17.81	
		2,396.36
		$14,823.73

Schedule "1"

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
GENERAL FUND

As at March 31st, 1942

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount
2.	Lisgar	$ 58.85
3.	Ancient Landmark	22.00
7.	Assiniboine	1.67
11.	Gladstone	4.80
13.	Belmont	1.00
14.	Prince of Wales	148.28
15.	Corinthian	.20
24.	Neepawa	1.50
27.	Glenwood	6.00
39.	Birtle	.71
50.	Killarney	17.20
51.	Treherne	76.70
64.	Composite	36.10
75.	Gothic	.25
77.	Napinka	58.00
82.	Cypress	92.49
86.	Elgin	2.00
90.	Midlothian	29.60
93.	King Edward	.50
101.	Binscarth	179.70
107.	Lansdowne	2.00
108.	Union	9.40
112.	Ophir	16.00
117.	Strathcona	1.85
121.	St. James	79.52
122.	Roblin	4.00
129.	Shellmouth	.20
137.	Lord Selkirk	6.90
138.	Windsor	100.00
141.	Tuscan	1.20
142.	Harmony	6.45
146.	Fidelity	.90
150.	Cartwright	4.00
152.	Foxwarren	1.00
155.	Carman	33.50
156.	Manitowapa	.30
		$1,004.77

Credits

1.	Prince Rupert	$20.00	
71.	Crystal	1.30	
132.	Sprague	.50	
136.	Capitol	.15	
139.	Beaver	.94	
153.	Flin Flon	11.00	
			33.89
	As per Balance Sheet		$ 970.88

Schedule "2"

DETAILS OF MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE GENERAL FUND

For the Year Ended March 31st, 1942.

Particulars	Amount
Proceedings	$ 827.28
Grand Lodge Communication	705.28
Honorarium	300.00
War Effort Committee	25.91
Audit	150.00
Telephones and Telegraph	122.34
Travelling	175.00
Flowers	50.70
Christmas Cards	17.97
Masonic Relief Association	56.41
Warning Circulars	24.84
City Directory	21.60
Safety Deposit Box	15.00
Typewriter Inspection	9.50
50 Year Jewels	46.15
Masonic Trial	19.50
Indemnity Bond (Grand Secretary)	3.75
Miscellaneous	90.50
As per Exhibit "C"	$2,661.73
Deduct:	
War Effort Committee	25.91
As per Exhibit "B"	$2,635.82

Exhibit "D'

BALANCE SHEET BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND
As at March 31st, 1942

ASSETS

Current:				
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce (Current Account)			$ 2,476.66	
Cash in Post Office Savings Bank			1,510.00	
General Fund Loan			2,000.00	
				$ 5,986.66
Investments:				
Mortgage Loans			$ 6,734.67	
	Par Value			
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$ 96,000.00	$88,201.25		
Greater Winnipeg Water District Debentures	16,000.00	16,045.00		
Province of Saskatchewan Debentures	21,000.00	21,000.00		
Province of Alberta Debentures	10,000.00	10,000.00		
Province of British Columbia Debentures	15,000.00	14,955.00		
Point Grey Debentures	10,000.00	9,925.00		
Dominion of Canada Bonds	47,800.00	47,395.00		
Canadian National Railway Bonds	8,000.00	8,000.00		
City of Winnipeg Debentures	2,433.33	2,177.83		
	$226,233.33		217,699.08	
War Saving Certificates			480.00	
Beneficiary Fund:				
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$ 4,500.00	$ 4,500.00		
Dominion of Canada Bonds	12,700.00	12,700.00	17,200.00	
	$ 17,200.00			$242,113.75

Property:		
174 Perth	$ 1,389.66	
Acquired through foreclosure:		
191 Ethelbert	5,604.14	
1025 Grosvenor	3,900.13	
926 Jessie	2,602.70	
299 Waverley	10,562.06	
275 Harvard	9,855.59	
		33,914.28
		$282,014.69

LIABILITIES

Surplus (Per Exhibit "E")	$282,014.69
	$282,014.69

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 31st, 1942, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31st, 1942.

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ADAM ARMSTRONG & CO.
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 6th, 1942.

Exhibit "E"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND

For the Year Ended March 31st, 1942.

INCOME

Interest—Bonds and Debentures	$ 9,801.09	
Premium—Bonds and Debentures	1,060.00	
		$10,861.09
Interest—Mortgages		379.68
Interest—Bank		21.50
Life Members Fees		370.00
Donations Lodges		80.00
		$11,712.27

EXPENDITURES

Beneficiary Fund (Per Schedule "4")	$ 6,592.20	
Tax Deducted U.S. Bond Interest	242.15	
Stationery and Expense	67.66	
Exchange	10.55	
		6,912.56
Net Income for Year		$ 4,799.71
Surplus as at March 31st, 1941	283,508.12	
Deduct:		
Loss on Realization Loan No. 35	$ 6,000.51	
Adjustment Loan No. 40	289.63	
Adjustment Loan No. 37	3.00	
	6,293.14	
		277,214.98
Surplus as at March 31st, 1942		$282,014.69

Exhibit "F"

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND

For the year ended March 31st, 1942

RECEIPTS

Total Receipts (Per Schedule "3")		$22,119.14
Cash in Bank, April 1st, 1940	$ 5,854.96	
Cash on Hand, April 1st, 1940	163.98	
		6,018.94
		$28,138.08

DISBURSEMENTS

Bonds Purchased		$13,500.00	
War Savings Certificates		480.00	
Beneficiary Fund		6,592.20	
Real Estate, Taxes, Insurance, Repairs and Collection Commissions:			
174 Perth Avenue	$ 236.93		
191 Ethelbert Street	217.83		
1025 Grosvenor Avenue	222.43		
926 Jessie Avenue	136.16		
299 Waverley Street	506,67		
275 Harvard Avenue	1,262.36		
66 Waterloo Street	676.48		
		3,258.86	
Exchange		10.55	
Tax Deducted U.S. Bond Interest		242.15	
Stationery and Expense		67.66	
Total Disbursements			24,151.42
Cash in Bank, March 31st, 1942:			
Current Account		2,476.66	
Post Office Savings Account		1,510.00	
			3,986.66
			$28,138.08

Schedule "3"

DETAILS OF CASH RECEIPTS
BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND AND BENEFICIARY FUND

For the Year Ended March 31st, 1942

Mortgage Principal:			
Loan No. 5.	$ 134.47		
12.	250.00		
30.	600.00		
38.	100.00		
40.	330.86		
		$	1,415.33
Mortgage Interest:			
Loan No. 2.	$ 468.76		
5.	65.53		
12.	45.65		
30.	36.15		
38.	88.50		
40.	94.14		
		$	798.73
Mortgage Taxes and Insurance, etc.:			
Loan No. 2.	$ 44.25		
12.	48.22		
		$	92.47
Rents Received (Property):			
174 Perth Avenue	$ 270.00		
191 Ethelbert Street	485.50		
1025 Grosvenor Avenue	540.00		
926 Jessie Avenue	345.00		
299 Waverley Street	900.00		
275 Harvard Avenue	720.00		
		$	3,260.50
Loan Repaid (General Fund)			1,000.00
Interest and Premiums, Bonds and Debentures			10,861.09
Donations			80.00
Life Members Fees			370.00
Real Estate 66 Waterloo			4,219.52
Bank Interest			21.50
			$22,119.14

Schedule "4"

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND
For the Year Ended March 31st, 1942.

No.	Name of Lodge	On Account of	Amount
1.	Prince Rupert	Mrs. C. S.	$ 115.00
1.	Prince Rupert	R. G. D.	35.00
2.	Lisgar	Mrs. F. J.	160.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	W. P.	89.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. D. O'C.	125.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. McC.	185.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. C. J. T.	125.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. C. W.	185.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. F. J. B.	125.00
4.	St. John's	C. R. McL.	125.00
8.	King Solomon	J. H. S.	65.00
10.	Northern Light	Mrs. E. E. B.	60.00
10.	Northern Light	Mrs. E. M. Q.	60.00
11.	Gladstone	Mrs. M. E.	185.00
12.	Stonewall	Mrs. McF.	245.00
12.	Stonewall	Mrs. G. W.	125.00
12.	Stonewall	Mrs. F. S.	95.00
24.	Neepawa	Mrs. T.	185.00
25.	Ionic	Mrs. E. E. D.	180.00
25.	Ionic	Mrs. I. L. McQ.	125.00
40.	Deloraine	Mrs. G. R. A.	185.00
43.	Lebanon	A. M.	125.00
43.	Lebanon	Miss B. T.	60.00
51.	Treherne	A. M. W.	125.00
52.	Hartney	A. T. F.	115.00
55.	East Star	T. A. A.	305.00
62.	Russell	A. M.	185.00
63.	Holland	Mrs. E. F.	45.50
68.	Vermillion	Mrs. W. H. L.	125.00
84.	Hamiota	Mrs. I. R.	125.00
90.	Midlothian	Mrs. M. C.	60.00
92.	Shoal Lake	Mrs. I. J.	125.00
93.	King Edward	Mrs. J. G. H.	185.00
93.	King Edward	H. H. J.	245.55
94.	Hiram	Mrs. F. G. H.	125.00
100.	Robbie Burns	W. E. J. B.	125.00
102.	Miniota	J. P.	185.55
111.	Acacia	Mrs. H. H.	185.00
111.	Acacia	H. W. C.	142.50
112.	Ophir	Mrs. B. R. T.	305.00
119.	Norwood	Mrs. V. H.	125.00
119.	Norwood	Mrs. F. McD.	125.00
120.	Penza	Mrs. M. M. M.	10.00
121.	St. James	Mrs. J. McG.	185.55
124.	The Pas	Mrs. M. J.	125.55
131.	Kildonan	Miss A. P. S.	30.00
		Forward	$6,274.20

Schedule "4"

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND

For the Year Ended March 31st, 1942.

No.	Name of Lodge	On Account of	Amount
	Forward		$6,274.20
134.	Stony Mountain	W. J. P.	20.00
143.	Mt. Sinai	Mrs. F. Z.	125.00
144.	Fort Osborne	Mrs. L. F. M. B.	125.00
154.	Pine Falls	Mrs. A. G.	48.00
			$6,592.20

Schedule "5"

MORTGAGE LOANS, INTEREST, TAXES AND INSURANCE, ETC., RECEIVABLE

BENEVLENT ENDOWMENT FUND
As at March 31st, 1942

	Principal
Loan No. 2.	$ 1,700.00
Loan No. 5.	1,015.53
Loan No. 12.	1,450.00
Loan No. 38.	1,400.00
Loan No. 40.	1,169.14
	$ 6,734.67

REPORT ON THE COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Benevolence begs to submit its Report for the year ending March 31st, 1942.

Meetings were held on May 22nd, September 30th, December 17th, 1941, and February 26th and May 14th, 1942.

The disbursements for relief to beneficiaries amounted to $6,592.20, showing a monthly average of approximately $500.00. The number of Beneficiaries receiving assistance at the present time is fifty (50) showing a decrease of four (4) as compared with the previous year. You will find a detailed statement of the Committee's disbursements in the Grand Treasurer's Report.

It is pleasing to report that in some instances the beneficiaries requested that the assistance they were receiving be discontinued.

The earnings of the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund were sufficient to meet the necessary grants, but it should be pointed out that as securities mature, future investments, under present economic conditions may have to be made at a much lower rate of interest and thereby causing an appreciable decrease in income. We would, therefore, deeply appreciate donations from Lodges and individuals to increase our Capital Account so that the returns from the investments may be sufficient to meet all calls on the Fund. Your Committee acknowledges with thanks, donations from the following:

Vermillion Lodge No. 68	$40.00
Manitou Lodge No. 30	10.00
McCreary Lodge No. 133	10.00
Bro. J. H. Gibson, Norwood	10.00

We desire to point out that the Benevolent Fund grants are only supplementary to the benevolent activities of the Lodge making application for assistance, and your Committee commends the action of those Lodges in the Jurisdiction which took care of cases which would otherwise have had to be referred to your Committee for assistance.

Your Committee has been embarrassed and undue delay occasioned in several instances during the past year, by the neglect of Lodges requesting assistance from the Fund, in not complying strictly with Section 11 (b) and Sub-sections 1, 2 and 3 of the Constitution. We appeal to Masters and Secretaries of Lodges, when making application for assistance to see to it that the application forms are properly made out and the fullest possible information regarding the applicant be given, as this does not lie within the province of your Committee.

We can assure Grand Lodge that every application submitted received the most sympathic consideration by your Committee, and was dealt with in accordance with the powers and limitations imposed upon us by the terms of the Constitution.

We are passing through the most critical period in the world's history, when the very foundations of our civilization are being threatened and undermined. It will require all the experienced wisdom, stable strength and tactful touch of constructive builders to solve and to cure. Our Benevolent Fund is a practical expression of Brotherhood and one of the great arteries of human love and friendship. We must see to it that this great work be not impaired during the period of re-construction, and that the fountains of Charity may never run dry.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE HUNTER,
Chairman.

On motion of M.W. Bro. George Hunter (10), seconded by R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon (3), the report of the Committee on Benevolence was received and adopted.

REPORT ON THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Finance begs to submit the following report.

The Committee on Finance meets each month, and all matters pertaining to accounts are dealt with, and if in order, approved for payment.

As in the past, the Grand Secretary has kept a close supervision over all expenditures, and all controllable expenses kept as low as possible.

The Financial Statements are printed, wherein the Auditors show that the expenditures exceed the income by $213.39.

The report of the Auditors on the Finances of Grand Lodge as at March 31st, 1942, has been examined and your Committee believe it to be a true and correct account of the financial standing of Grand Lodge as at that date.

Your Committee has prepared and herewith submits for your consideration a statement of the approximate income and expenditure for the year ending March 31st, 1943.

INCOME

Dues	$ 9,000.00	
Initiations	400.00	
Master Mason Certificates	400.00	
Past Master Certificates	70.00	
Life Members Fees	375.00	
Life Members Certificates	75.00	
Dispensations	55.00	
Miscellaneous Supplies	450.00	
		$10,825.00

EXPENDITURES

Salaries	$ 4,200.00	
Rent	1,000.00	
Postage and Excise Stamps	280.00	
Stationery and Office Supplies	325.00	
Lodge Supplies	450.00	
Grand Master's Expense	500.00	
Grand Lodge Communication Expenses	650.00	
Grand Lodge Proceedings	700.00	
Grand Lodge Travelling Expenses	295.00	
Library Maintenance	1,200.00	
Grand Master's Regalia	275.00	
Audit	150.00	
Telephone and Telegrams	125.00	
Warning Circulars & Masonic Relief Ass'n	30.00	
Miscellaneous	450.00	
		$10,630.00
Surplus		$ 195.00

Fraternally submitted,
A. H. STEVENTON,
Chairman.

On motion of R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon (3), seconded by R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter (111), the report of the Committee on Finance was received and adopted.

MASONIC DISTRICTS

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25) moved that the Masonic Districts as at present constituted remain as they are for the ensuing year, seconded by R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parket (4). Motion adopted.

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment by Most Worshipful Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, Grand Master, until 8:00 p.m.

Evening Session

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Masters and Guests entered in Procession, the Brethren singing "O Brother Man".

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by Most Worshipful Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, Grand Master, at 8.10 p.m., with prayer by the Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey.

"The National Anthem"
and
"O God our help in ages past".
were sung.

RECEIVING REPRESENTATIVES OF SISTER GRAND LODGES

Alberta	R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr
Arkansas	V.W. Bro. Jas. D. Harrower
British Columbia	R.W. Bro. C. E. Somerset
Canada (in Ontario)	M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
Chile	M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
Colorado	W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
Connecticut	R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
Cuba	W. Bro. J. Morgan Davies
Delaware	R.W. Bro. John Coulter
Denmark	R.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni
District of Columbia	R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon
England	M.W. Bro. Justice W. J. Major
France	R.W. Bro. Chas. H. Midwinter

Georgia	R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell
Honduras	R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan
Illinois	R.W. Bro. Wm. R. Leslie
Indiana	R.W. Bro. Sydney A. Wood
Ireland	M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd
Kansas	M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller
Mexico	R.W. Bro. M. A. Nitikman
Michigan	R.W. Bro. Dr. O. S. Ross
Minnesota	R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker
Montana	R.W. Bro. M. S. Watson
Nebraska	R.W. Bro. Hugh Mackenzie
Netherlands	M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin
New Brunswick	M.W. Bro. Canon G. R. Calvert
New Hampshire	M.W. Bro. George Hunter
New Jersey	V.W. Bro. Wm. G. Corbett
New Mexico	R.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
New York	R.W. Bro. Rev. G. A. Woodside
New Zealand	R.W. Bro. Samuel Burland
Oregon	M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson
Philippine Islands	R.W. Bro. J. S. Miller
Porto Rico	R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson
Quebec	R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters
Rio de Janeiro	R.W. Bro. Wm. Cairns
Saskatchewan	R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess
Scotland	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
South Carolina	R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer
Texas	V.W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick
Utah	R.W. Bro. Donald Macdonald
Virginia	M.W. Bro. Harry Woods
West Virginia	M.W. Bro. Wm. Fenwick

The Grand Master welcomed the Grand Representatives, thanked them for their friendly greetings and requested that they convey to their respective Grand Lodges his warm fraternal greetings and best wishes for their continued success in the good work they are carrying on, with the hope that in the near future, those Grand Lodges which have been banned by their totalitarian conquerors will be able to join with us when victory is won by the free nations of the Democracies of the world.

M.W. Bro. Justice W. J. Major (25) in a few well chosen remarks thanked the M.W. Grand Master for his kind and friendly greetings. Grand Honors were given the Grand Representatives.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Our Distinguished Guests were presented at the Altar:

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan:

R.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary

Presented by M.W. Bro. George Hunter.

Grand Lodge of Alberta:

M.W. Bro. George Ellis, Grand Master

Presented by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black.

Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

M.W. Bro. Wm. P. Sturtz, Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Chancey C. Colton, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. Ralph W. Stanford, P.G.M.
R.W. Bro. Louis H. Colson, Deputy Grand Master
V.W. Bro. Walter B. Congdon, Grand Pursuivant
W. Bro. Clinton M. Norton

Presented by M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence.

Grand Lodge of North Dakota:

M.W. Bro. Hon. John Moses, Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Mark Forkner, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. Charles M. Pollock, P.G.M.
R.W. Bro. Wm. J. Hutcheson, Executive Secretary

Presented by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods.

Our Distinguished Guests were accorded Grand Honors, welcomed most heartily by our Most Worshipful Grand Master who expressed the hope that we would hear from each of them during our Sessions.

"Most Worshipful Brethren, kindly conduct our Distinguished Guests to the Grand East."

GIFT OF AN AMERICAN FLAG

A delegation from North Dakota, composed of:
M.W. Bro. Hon. John Moses, Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Col. Charles M. Pollock, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. Mark Forkner, P.G.M., and Standard Bearer entered the Lodge Room and stood at the Altar.

The Shrine Chanters led the brethren in singing the "Star Spangled Banner".

M.W. Bro. Col. Charles M. Pollock in a well chosen address presented our Grand Lodge, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, with a beautiful American Flag, which was received on behalf of our Most Worshipful Grand Master, by M.W. Bro. William Douglas supported by M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence and M.W. Bro. Harry Woods.

Great applause by the brethren.

Our Most Worshipful Grand Master accepted this gift, and thanked our North Dakota brethren in a very sincere and fitting manner, and asked that the Colors be brought to the Grand East, where he dedicated them with prayer.

A very pleasing anecdote in M.W. Bro. Col. Charles M. Pollock's address was that the Standard Bearer of the American Flag, M.W. Bro. Mark Forkner, bore the Flag at the head of the first North Dakota Regiment that left their State to take part in the Spanish-American War.

The Shrine Chanters then sang "God Bless America" and "Land of Hope and Glory".

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

My Brethren:

I greet you in the name of the Great Architect of the Universe, and my first word to you is one of confidence and thanksgiving. We cannot meet for this Sixty-seventh Communication of Grand Lodge without giving expression

of our thanks to God. Two years ago we met in this same place and listened with rapt attention to the appeal for courage and daring adventure in a day of disaster. The Grand Master, my very good friend M.W. Bro. Lawrence, spoke well on that occasion. Again and again he declared the faith of our fathers and urged that we in our day be worthy of them. Soon after that meeting France fell, and the Empire stood alone, and for a year alone Britain, bloody but unbowed, under the magnificent and brave leadership of our two masonic brethren, His Majesty the King and Prime Minister Churchill, kept the flag of freedom flying for the world.

For that faith we thank God today and say in the words of Deborah of old "For that the leaders took the lead in Israel, for that the people gave themselves willingly, praise ye the Lord!"

We are profoundly grateful that to our Commonwealth was given the privilege of manifesting to the world that the principles upon which our British liberties were founded were stronger today than ever before. The words of Rudyard Kipling come back to us filled with reality:

> "No easy hopes or lies shall bring us to our goal,
> But iron sacrifice of body, will, and soul.
> There is but one task for all; for each one life to give;
> Who stands if freedom fall? Who dies if England live?"

So Britain stood, and it was that stand for righteousness and justice and liberty which enabled the free peoples of the world to take stock and prepare to defend the verities of our civilization. And after a year of battle and murder such as never was experienced by any nation our British faith was vindicated and last year the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson said: "By faith Britain, when she was called to go out and do battle for the weak and the oppressed, to stop the pagan hordes of Hitler, obeyed, and went out not knowing whither she went. By faith her soldiers, sailors and airmen sojourned as in a strange country, dwelling in tents with their brothers-in-arms, the free men of all nations, the heirs with them of the same promise. For, like Abraham, they too looked for a city which hath foundations, whose

builder and maker is God." And the day came when the aggressor had to find other victories on which to feed his insatiable hunger for glory. First Russia and then the United States of America were attacked, and during my term as Grand Master we have witnessed the free peoples bound together as allies, and tonight in this Communication of our Grand Lodge we meet as free men of Canada and the United States of America pledged to the task of ridding the world of oppression and fear and building for the generations to come a new world wherein is righteousness and peace.

Brethren, during this year I have tried to emphasize the importance of the part which freemasons should play in the war effort of our country. I have striven to show in my various addresses that this is not the time for maintaining the status quo. History is in the making and I am jealous enough for Freemasonry to want its members to play a leading role in the struggle for justice and liberty. So when you were good enough to exalt me to this high office I said, in thanking you for the confidence you had placed in me that my watchword would be "Speak, that they go forward"; and I have tried to stay with those words. I don't believe in marking time today or lessening our efforts to build up the craft in the community, and I have no patience whatsoever with masons or lodges who think that now is the time to ease up because of the difficulties that surround us. Lazy and apathetic citizens are the most dangerous element in the fifth column. In my various district visitations I have pointed out that I had come to make an enquiry into the efficiency of the officers and apparatus of the Craft. Every District Deputy Grand Master was requested to inform all lodge secretaries that a report of the lodge activities would be required. Most of the secretaries came prepared; a few came unprepared; some sent a report with a proxy; some did nothing, and said nothing. One of the finest reports was sent by one of the smallest lodges in its jurisdiction, Kilwinning, at Minto. There, with little degree work to do, an ambitious scheme for keeping in touch with non-resident members was inaugurated and it proved to be a magnificent success and aroused great enthusiasm among the members of the lodge who met together month

after month. Other lodges, like Assiniboine at Portage la Prairie, reported splendid study club activities. I wrote to all lodges that were not represented at the various district meetings, and I received replies from most of them, but some masters and secretaries cannot write, apparently, or else they cannot read. There is today in some of our lodges a great force of enthusiastic endeavor, but there is in some of our lodges a lamentable amount of apathetic inefficiency. I am reminded of the story in the 25th Chapter of St. Matthew's gospel when I get around to the various places on my visits —the story of the talents, and I think we probably over-emphasize the men who received the five talents and the two talents, and we forget altogether the man who just received the one talent because he is the character we do not like very much. I ask you to consider the man of one talent tonight because he is much akin to many of us; for there is a man who had an opportunity to do a job, there is a man who was given something to do, there is a man who refused to do his task; there is a man who lapsed into inefficiency, into respectability, who said "Everything will get along all right whether I do this job or not." He didn't do it and he became one of the crowd of inefficient people who clutter up the work of such a great fraternity as ours. He refused the conditions of successful effort which seems to be too hard for us today. This man declined the constant and persevering ventures of faith. To refuse to do our job in the lodge is to forfeit the right to call God our Father. To say that what is required of us is too hard for us, is too much for us; to say that we have been given so little and we have been asked for so much, is to acquiesce in inefficiency. To do such a thing as that is to be content with respectability. The one talent man, I suggest to you tonight, was cast out into darkness not because he didn't have opportunity but because he preferred to be respectable, to be at his ease, and to get away with as little as he could possibly do.

I said to you at the outset of this year that it was not a time in which we could mark time; that this was not a time for the Grand Master to look into all the impossible situations that would confront him and say "I have not the opportunity to do as my more fortunate brethren have done

in "the days of peace". "There have been so many calls on the Grand Master because of the interests that have arisen. He has to be loyal to the War Services, to the Red Cross, and to everything else in his particular office." It might have been said "Now is the time to go easy as far as Freemasonry is concerned; now is the time to just mark time." The Grand Master could have done that at the beginning of the year and could have said to himself that he was justified, on account of the conditions that he faced in the world at this time, but what man would have been worthy of the trust that was placed in him, what man could confidently look into the faces of you brethren, as I look into your faces today and could have said that! What District Deputy Grand Master, accepting office last year as some of you did, could have said "Well now, if I get through my visitations that is all that will be required of me because the fellows will have so many other things to do?" What Worshipful Master finding so much to discourage improvements in his own lodge because the young men of the community were enlisting in the King's forces, because there were just older men there, would have been justified in saying "As long as we get along that is all that will be required of us this year?" How many of the side-benchers because of the laxity in the Grand Master, the District Deputy Grand Master or the Worshipful Master could not have said to themselves "Well, we haven't a chance to be masons today; the best thing for us to do is just to stay away because there is little or nothing to learn." I say to you my brethren when such a temptation comes into your life in a day of stress and trial such as the one we are passing through today, you members of this craft dedicated to freedom of mankind, to the call of our free countries, what man of you could dare say to himself that we have been asked for too much and that we have been given too little with which to do our work? Is there any man in this Lodge who has stood before the master of his lodge and handled the working tools and had those things explained to him or stood in the northeast angle of the lodge and heard the lecture on charity and dares to say that in a year of trial and stress when the

impossibilities of the situation mount step upon step, that he has little or nothing to do? What man can say such a thing as that?

At the beginning of this year, please God, we said we would do our best to **be** our best; that was our watchword, and that is the way we began this year. We said we would ask for no quarter; the War was on, the challenge was on; the challenge to all free men. Masonry must be the leaven in the community that would permeate the lump until the community in which the lodge was placed would be enthusiastic in its allegiance to the Crown and in its endeavor for the spread of the doctrine of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of all Mankind.

During my year it has not been my privilege to visit very many lodges; I could visit but twenty-three. I was very happy in being able to visit the lodge in which I was Master in 1931, Killarney Lodge, when they celebrated their golden jubilee on the 4th of November, 1941, just ten years from the time when I was the sitting master. It was a great meeting and there was a great deal of inspiration in that little town I love so well and that has so many sacred memories for me, that night.

Then it was my privilege to go to Brandon Lodge, Number 19, on the eighth of May and with the brethren of Brandon Lodge to join in the great celebration that marked the diamond jubilee of Freemasonry in that city.

At least two other great occasions stand out in my year, one a meeting sponsored by "The Assiniboine Lodge" of this city on the 7th of April when many of our brothers from North Dakota came up. We had a great meeting and the banquet downstairs was addressed by that very fine friend of all Britons, the American Consul-General, Mr. A. W. Klieforth. Then just last Saturday Ionic Lodge entertained Ionic Lodge of Duluth, and once again we heard the inspiring and challenging story of the American Consul-General who had spent previous to coming to our city, fifteen years in Germany. Those were great occasions; those were occasions when with our brothers to the South we

realized that we were not only meeting as masonic brethren here in the City of Winnipeg in our Grand Jurisdiction but we were meeting, as we had not met since 1917, as brothers-in-arms in a great cause.

Wherever I have been and whenever I have spoken and particularly to lodges and to district meetings in the country I have urged that Freemasonry has something to offer to the community in which it exists. For far too long, my brethren, have we been divorced from the community. For far too long our light has been hid. For far too long we have never dared to go out and say things, and yet the principles on which this Order is founded are so sacred that it is to the detriment of this country and to the detriment of the great Republic that we honour tonight if we do not come into the community and say "This is our faith; here we stand, and we are a hundred per cent behind this war effort, and behind anything in the community which is for the uplifting of all brethren in this community."

My brethren, when in the year previous to mine as Grand Master we dared to have our service of witness in the Auditorium, when we went on the air, we said the things for which we were witnessing were God, justice, truth and righteousness. Anybody who is afraid today to stand up and talk about that, and anybody who does not put his whole soul, his whole energy into the propagation of that gospel has sorely missed the challenge that is offered to every Freemason. We have something to offer; in God's name let us tell it out. Who knows, we may have been put into the Empire for such a time as this; get off the bushel, let there be light.

During the year I have stressed the importance of ministering to the troops and in this Grand Jurisdiction there are, I was going to say innumerable camps—that is almost true, because, owing to the Empire training scheme, camps are throughout the length and breadth of this Province; at Dauphin, Neepawa, and at Carberry and Portage, Brandon, Virden, Rivers, many other places; and opportunities for service have been unfolded, the like of which

we never had before. You would be surprised my brethren how often from far-off Australia and New Zealand letters have come to the Grand Secretary and to myself saying "John Jones' dad and Bill Smith's dad are masons and belong to this lodge"—in Wellington, Auckland, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne—"these youngsters are in this great Commonwealth scheme and are at Brandon, Dauphin or somewhere, get to know them." Time and time again we have sent out word and we have urged our brethren to do something for these boys, and applications for initiation have been coming from the youngsters—not from those of far-off jurisdictions very often, but from the fellows who live here, who have seen that we have got something to give, who have seen that we have something for which to live. Don't cut yourself off from the community of interest today. Don't cut yourself off from the expression of your faith, your masonic creed that you have today.

I was so glad this year that, as last year, the two Winnipeg districts asked for church services. I know you say "That is right up your alley"; of course it is up my alley. I learned my Freemasonry through my job and it is the only way for you to learn your Freemasonry, through your job, through the thing you work at, and I am positive of this, that when men get together for prayer they begin to realize the wants and needs of others and the heart of the Craft is strengthened and there is a greater feeling of confidence in our midst. Various lodges have asked for dispensations to worship God. I welcomed them and I was more than proud that these dispensations were asked for, and more than happy to grant them.

Here tonight, my brethren, we have had an expression, the like of which we have had on other occasions, of the love that our American brothers bear to us, in the fine delegations that had come from Minnesota and from North Dakota. It was my great privilege to visit those two Grand Lodges during my term as Grand Master, and I could not begin to pay the tribute I should like to pay to my brethren in those Grand Jurisdictions, whom I have got to know, not only as brothers but as very dear friends. They are here

tonight, and we welcome them, for we know them very well; we love them so well. I was more than sorry that at the close of our Grand Communication last year they took me to the hospital—I guess you were too much for me—and there I stayed and missed your Grand Communication, my brethren in Alberta, after I had had my heart set upon going to Calgary to enjoy with you what I know would have been a wonderful treat. There I was, and there you were without me, and I am so glad that this year the incoming Grand Master is going to you and to Saskatchewan, and I am glad that the Grand Secretary was able to go and pay my respects to Saskatchewan.

It was a source of regret that I was unable to accept last year, for the same reason, the invitation sent to me from the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario. I had looked forward to sitting in Grand Lodge with M.W. Bro. Bill Dunlop again. He came up here a few years ago and brought greetings from the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario. He was to have been here tonight, but you know he is head of the Extension Department of the University of Toronto and he was unable to come because the University of Western Ontario is honoring him tonight with the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, so from you I have despatched to him our congratulations and our loving best wishes.

I suppose the high light of my career as Grand Master was realized on Saturday, the 16th of August, 1941, when I broke into Royalty. His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England was making a tour to inspect all the stations of the Commonwealth Air Training Plan in Canada and came to Winnipeg. We did our best through the Secretary of State to see whether we could not have him address the convocation of our Grand Lodge but we were informed that nothing of that nature could have been arranged so we did nothing until he came to Winnipeg. And then the Grand Secretary approached the Lieutenant-Governor, the Hon. R. F. McWilliams, and told him that he and I would like to present to his Royal Highness on your behalf our fraternal greetings and to give him a cheque from our Grand Lodge War Effort

Fund of $5,000.00 towards the work the Grand Lodge of England is doing among Empire troops, and also to ask him to give to her Majesty the Queen a cheque for $5,000.00 from the same fund towards her Majesty's fund for bombed out children. His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was very gracious and what could not be accomplished through Ottawa was done because a very gracious gentleman took it upon himself to intercede for us and His Royal Highness received us. We were welcomed by a very quiet-spoken gracious young man who talked with us alone on the balcony of Government House about the problems of Freemasonry within the United Grand Lodge of England. He accepted our gifts, and when we expressed our desire that he might convey to His Majesty the King the loyal and devoted greetings of the masons of Manitoba assured us that he would be happy to do so; so as I say, we broke into Royalty. It was a wonderful experience and my proud privilege to be your representative on that occasion.

During this past year we have sustained a great loss in our Grand Lodge in the passing of two of our best beloved Past Grand Masters: J. C. Walker Reid was known to all as a gracious and gentle character, a Scot who reminded us of the gentle schoolmaster whose young pupils were taught to gain within the compass of his influence the teachings of our beloved craft. Another great friend, the beloved senior Past Grand Master of our Jurisdiction, M.W. Bro. Samuel Pritchard Matheson, passed to the great Beyond just recently. M.W. Bro. Matheson was my first bishop. I personally served under him as a young student, twenty-three years ago. He came to visit me on occasions, and in the library of the president of the University of Toronto he blessed me and asked me to be ordained for work in his Diocese of Rupertsland; and I came; and I am sure it was by his influence that I not only came to this Province but that I joined the craft, in Manitou in 1926, in the first parish to which he appointed me as curate. We shall remember him for his work, the like of which many another man, given the same opportunities never could have done. He united the Grand Lodge when harmony was at a price. He cemented the feelings

of the people of this Western province whether they belonged to his church or another church in feelings of brotherly love. His is a name which was revered from the Pacific coast to the Atlantic waters, from the 49th parallel to Herschel Island—a name that is known throughout the length and breadth of the British Empire, wherever the church of the Living God proclaims its message, wherever Christians and free men meet together. For these two gracious souls who have left our Grand Lodge to be with the Grand Lodge triumphant for ever in heaven we thank God and pray that we may be worthy to follow in their train.

One of the happiest things that can happen in the life of a Grand Master is to rejoice with the older brothers in their long term of service, and so fifty-year jewels were presented to the following brothers during my term of service as Grand Master:

To W. Bro. James W. Breakey, of Glenwood Lodge number 27, when I visited there for the district meeting which was held in the Town of Souris.

To Bro. John Frederick Fisher, of Brandon Lodge number 19, when I visited Brandon for the meeting of the 7th Masonic District on the 15th of October.

To R.W. Bro. Joseph Mills and Bro. William Andrews, of Ionic Lodge number 25, on the occasion of the annual Ionic "At Home" which was held in the Royal Alexandra Hotel, on the evening of the 8th of November, 1941. I requested M.W. Bro. George F. Ellis, the Grand Master of Alberta, who is here this evening, to present to Bro. Israel Braithwaite, of St. John's Lodge number 4, at a regular meeting of Concord Lodge number 124, G.R.A., his 50-year Jewel, on the evening of the 6th, of December at Calgary. The Deputy Grand Master presented R.W. Bro. McIntosh, of Neepawa Lodge number 24, at the regular meeting of Neepawa Lodge with his 50-year Jewel on the evening of the 10th of February, 1942.

I requested R.W. Bro. George A. McMorran to present to R.W. Bro. George Frederick Birney, of Reston Lodge number 104, his Jewel for long service, on the evening of the 12th of March, 1942. And again R.W. Bro. McMorran went to Oriental Lodge, Melita, to present

R.W. Bro. Rev. Matthew P. Floyd with his 50-year Jewel, at a regular meeting on the evening of the 16th of March, 1942.

District Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. A. V. Pigott, on my behalf, presented Bro. Melbourne F. Christie, of Northern Light Lodge number 10, on the evening of the 20th November, 1941, with his 50-year Jewel.

I am hoping that during this Grand Communication it may be my pleasure to present at least two more at the afternoon session tomorrow.

Brethren, we rejoice with these Masons who have served for half a century in the craft that we love so well. We wish them Godspeed on the rest of their voyage, and pray that they may be enabled to give expression of our teachings in the future as they have done in the past.

In conclusion, this afternoon we passed a declaration of principles when we received and adopted the report of the Board of General Purposes. A Declaration of Principles! a statement of our Faith! and I believe my brethren that such a statement of our Masonic Faith should be made, in order that everyone may know where we stand, for what we stand, and in whom we trust. For too long now we have heard "It doesn't matter what you believe; it is what you do." For too long now we have been fooling ourselves that the thing that mattered was: if we could only just get along; if we could only just get by. In the ten years that preceded the terrible war in which we are now engaged, the tenor of our teaching, in the English-speaking democracies at least, was "As long as we get by". We forgot what was implied when we were brought to the altar and were shown that we should meet every man as a brother of the dust; we forgot that it had ever been said to any man "Where is thy brother?" But we didn't forget that the answer to that question was a niggardly pitiful reply: "Am I my brother's keeper?" That, we remembered, that, we took to ourselves. To our eternal shame we decided to get by, to do as little as we possibly could, while all the time in another country a creed had been enunciated, a creed had been stated, and the people of that country had been challenged to carry it out, and if we can rely upon the statement of our very

good friend, the American Consul-General, Mr. A. W. Klieforth, and I think we can, ninety per cent of the people in Germany believed the creed, and acted upon it; ninety per cent of the people of a great country were influenced and driven by the most damnable doctrine that it has ever been given to any man to propagate to his brothers. And what did we do? We said "It doesn't matter what you believe; it is what you do." We said "As long as we get by don't pay any attention to mad men." My brethren we lost something. In ten or twenty years we lost the thing that had made the Empire We lost—we lost the force of the moral law that drove our fathers in rather staid and strict lines to live their lives in a way that we marvel at today. We lost that which was the core of their lives, their utter reverence for God, their righteousness and their determined belief that the British creed was to love God, to love Britain, and if necessary to die for both. We lost that and because we did the younger brothers go out to battle, God bless them, willing to sacrifice, but I hope that in this day we shall not lose those unsearchable riches which are ours and to which we have given expression today: our faith in God, our belief in our country, and our belief in liberty. We need a new baptism with the spirit that sent the men of Britain into the four corners of the globe with freedom for all mankind in their hands, with the law of God in their hands, and love for all mankind in their hearts.

My brethren, today these are not pious platitudes, these are the things upon which we must build the world, in which righteousness shall dwell; and it will not be enough to win the war unless we have at the back of our minds and running through all our actions, this declaration of principles by which we can hope for an enduring peace; that will be the acid test of the craft in the coming days. Let no man say to himself "It will be time after the war to look upon these things." Now is the accepted time, now is the appointed time. Let everyone look into his own life and see what it is that should be taken out in order that by his enterprise and endeavor and by his allegiance to those principles he may help to build up a city that has no foundations but whose Builder and Maker is God.

VISITS MADE BY THE M.W. GRAND MASTER

DISTRICT MEETINGS

3rd Rathwell ..... July 29th, 1941
9th Swan River ..... August 25th, 1941
10th Beausejour.....September 3rd, 1941
8th Emerson ..... September 9th, 1941
2nd Brookdale ..... October 3rd, 1941
6th Souris ..... October 9th, 1941
5th Strathclair ..... October 14th, 1941
7th Brandon ..... October 15th, 1941
4th Morden ..... October 24th, 1941
1st Winnipeg ..... November 1st, 1941
12th Winnipeg ..... February 21st, 1942

LODGES

Sprague No. 132 ..... August 13th, 1941
Flin Flon No. 153 ..... August 26th, 1941
The Pas No. 124 ..... August 27th, 1941
Empire No. 127 ..... September 8th, 1941
The Assiniboine No. 114 ... October 7th, 1941
(Canadian Night)
Pine Falls No. 154.....October 19th, 1941
(Social Evening)
Prince Rupert's No. 1 .... October 21st, 1941
Killarney No. 50 ..... November 4th, 1941
(Golden Jubilee)
Ionic No. 25 ..... November 5th, 1941
(At Home)
Dormer No. 151 ..... February 3rd, 1942
St. John's No. 4 ..... February 27th, 1942
(At Home)
Fort Osborne No. 144 ..... March 3rd, 1942
St. John's No. 4 ..... March 4th, 1942
(Manitoba Night)
Windsor No. 138 ..... March 9th, 1942
Seven Oaks No. 148 ..... March 13th, 1942
The Assiniboine No. 114 ..... April 7th, 1942
(International Meeting)
Fidelity No. 146 ..... April 17th, 1942
Ancient Landmark No. 3 .... April 20th, 1942
Mount Sinai No. 143 ..... April 23rd, 1942
Capitol No. 136 ..... May 1st, 1942
(Father and Son)
Tuscan No. 141 ..... May 8th, 1942
Brandon No. 19 ..... May 8th, 1942
(Diamond Jubilee)
Ionic No. 25 ..... May 30th, 1942
(International Meeting)

On motion of M.W. Bro. Justice W. J. Major (25), seconded by M.W. Bro. George Hunter (10) the address was referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Address. Carried.

The Shrine Chanters followed the address with the following selections: "Grant us Thy Peace O Lord", "Bless this House".

The M.W. Grand Master called on the following Grand Lodge Guests to address the brethren:

M.W. Bro. Chauncey C. Colton, I.P.G.M., Minnesota.
M.W. Bro. Geo. Ellis, Grand Master, Alberta.
M.W. Bro. Mark Forkner, P.G.M., North Dakota.

These brethren brought kind felicitations and fraternal greetings from their respective Grand Lodges, with messages full of hope and goodwill.

Our M.W. Grand Master expressed his pleasure to our Guest Speakers for their presence with us, and thanked them for their kind and appropriate messages and fraternal greetings.

SALVAGE APPEAL

M.W. Bro. Justice W. J. Major made a personal appeal especially to the Winnipeg brethren, on behalf of Toc H for salvage work, suggesting that each man give one night in ten days or two weeks at this work which is very necessary during this period when each should be doing his best to help our Empire and her allies win this war.

Closing Hymn—"Creation's Lord, we give Thee thanks".

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment by Most Worshipful Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, until 10:30 a.m. tomorrow morning, Thursday, June 4th, 1942.

Second Day

Thursday, June 4th, 1942.

Morning Session

LABOR RESUMED

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by Most Worshipful Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, Grand Master, at 10:40 a.m. with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF FREEMASONRY

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes, through its Committee on the condition of Freemasonry, begs to report as follows:

During the year under review no lodge has become dormant, no lodge has asked permission to surrender its charter, nor has there been any lodge under dispensation, so that the committee has not been called upon to investigate or report with regard to any of these matters.

The financial position of the lodges generally shows a slight improvement over the preceding year, although some of the smaller lodges are still having difficulty in finding sufficient money to carry on their work. The amounts in arrears for dues are still much too large and in some cases it is evident that the provisions of section 227 of the Constitution which deal with the matter of suspension for non-payment of dues, have not been complied with.

The constitutional requirement that the secretaries of all lodges be bonded has not been complied with in many lodges. This requirement should be enforced or the constitution should be amended so as to dispense with it. Some lodges hold the opinion that as the funds passing through the hands of the secretaries are the property of the respective lodges, it should be a matter for their own decision whether the secretary should be bonded or not. Your committee is prepared to accede to this view and recommends the amendment of the constitution accordingly. At the same time it expresses the hope that in lodges where substantial amounts are involved the practice of bonding the secretary will be continued.

The recommendation made by the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry last year, that a meeting of lodge secretaries be held, was found impracticable because of the expense involved. In some of the districts outside of Greater Winnipeg meetings of secretaries were held on the afternoon of the District meeting, while in Greater Winnipeg a meeting was held at which the Masters, Wardens and Secretaries were present. These meetings were well attended and appear to be well worth while and it is recommended that they be continued and made general at all district meetings outside Greater Winnipeg and that a meeting of secretaries for the Greater Winnipeg Districts be arranged for some appropriate time other than the time of the District Meeting.

The meeting of the District Deputy Grand Masters on the day following the last Communication of Grand Lodge boasts a perfect attendance, some of the newly elected District Deputy Grand Masters remaining in the city at no small inconvenience to themselves to be present. Whether because of this meeting, or because of the fine quality of the brethren elected as District Deputy Grand Masters, or both, there has been evident an active interest in the welfare of Freemasonry and a keen appreciation of their opportunities and responsibilities by the District Deputy Grand Masters in the year that is now coming to a close. Their attendance at the meetings of the Board of General Purposes has been excellent, their reports have been frank and helpful and the district meetings have, on the whole, been well organized, well attended and have shown a determination on the part of the District Deputy Grand Masters and of the brethren generally to take stock of themselves and to give new life and energy to Freemasonry.

Your committee records its pleasure that in accordance with the recommendation made last year, the district meetings gave more time and placed greater emphasis on the teachings of Freemasonry, its objects and purposes than on the social aspects of the meetings, although it must be recorded that the greatest hospitality was everywhere in evidence.

Divine worship has been held by several districts and by many lodges. We heartily commend the holding of such services not only for their moral and spiritual values but also because they help to set the stamp of rectitude and virtue on our Order and help to identify it with what is best in our communities.

Visits by lodges to other lodges and visits by Freemasons to lodges other than their own have increased during the year with good results. In the case of a few lodges where some help was needed to bring new life and interest, neighboring lodges have shown a fine Masonic spirit and by visitations and in other ways done much to "help, aid and assist" where it was required and greatly appreciated. This good work should continue. A word of caution however should be given in some cases, to see that the constitution is followed as to the documentary evidence required to be produced by visitors as well as the proper examinations or vouching.

The Committee on Masonic Research and Education is reporting more fully on the meeting of the Masters, Wardens and Secretaries of the 1st, 10th and 12th Districts, which was also attended by six District Deputy Grand Masters and a number of other Grand Lodge officers. Some conclusions however should find a place in this report. If young, able and energetic men are to develop and retain an interest in Freemasonry, they must be given work to do, and every Master must face the problem of setting as many as possible to work in some worthwhile endeavour. Lodge meetings must not be too long and must be carried through with vigor and despatch. Programmes at the refreshment hour should be entertaining, toasts should be few and brief and ample time should be allowed for instructive addresses. Opportunity should be given to the lodge members and visiting brethren to fraternize and renew old friendships and make new friends. A number of plans for securing greater interest in the work of the lodges were proposed and discussed, and by the unanimous vote of those present, it was decided to hold a similar meeting in the fall to pursue the subjects further.

While the lodges meeting in Greater Winnipeg are fortunate in having well furnished, clean and comfortable lodge rooms, the brethren in some places are not so fortunate. The value of comfortable, clean and attractive surroundings cannot be too much emphasized. Such surroundings are in themselves an invitation to attend lodge meetings and help give a higher tone to all that transpires in them. There is much that the lodges themselves can do without expenditure of money. A meeting where everyone would turn in to do a "clean up, paint up, brighten up" job could bring about a transformation and be a good thing for the lodge members too.

The statistical reports which will be presented at this Grand communication will show that there has again been a decrease in the number of Freemasons in this Grand Jurisdiction. The decrease is less than in previous years and there is reason for optimism in the fact that the number of petitions for initiation is increasing and the ages of the petitioners are lower than for some time past. In one lodge where there had been almost no initiations for several years, six young men were initiated since our last communication. In another lodge which had been reported dormant, four young men were initiated in the same period. In a number of other lodges new life and renewed interest and enthusiasm for the Craft is evident.

Consideration has been given to the proposal that the office of Grand Lecturer be created, to be filled by a well skilled member of Grand Lodge, who has an intimate knowledge of the problems and difficulties of the smaller lodges. Great good would result from such an office but the expense involved appears to put it beyond the means of Grand Lodge at the present time. As an alternative course, it is recommended that the new members of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry should visit the lodges as freely as possible so as to render assistance where desired and at the same time to bring about a better understanding of the problems and purposes of Grand Lodge on the part of the lodges so that a consciousness of the unity of Grand Lodge and the constituent lodges may become a vital factor in our common purposes. We are all parts of the same whole and that whole will function more effectively if there is the fullest understanding and co-operation of all of the parts.

The recommendation made last year that the regular officers of each lodge should be required to confer or exemplify a degree at the time of the official visit of the District Deputy Grand Master has been carried out in some instances but in other cases notwithstanding a request by the District Deputy Grand Master that a degree be exemplified, no degree work was performed. Such conduct by a lodge, unless justified by valid reasons, calls for censure not only because it indicates inability to confer the degree and inexcusable laziness preventing the preparation of the work, but also because it is an affront to the District Deputy Grand Master who is the representative of the Grand Master. The Installed Master's degree should not be conferred on any master elect who is unable or unwilling to prove his skill and his qualification to receive the degree.

Junior officers still leave much to be desired in the matter of their attendance at lodge and their interest in the work. It is evident that in some cases men have been put in office against their will, having been persuaded to accept office because of the

lack of material. While no doubt it sometimes happens that such a man, on becoming better acquainted with his work, becomes interested in it, and develops into a keen and efficient officer, in most cases he passes through the various offices in a disinterested, lackadaisical way, without honor to himself and with nothing but detriment to his lodge and the Craft. A disinterested Freemason should not occupy any office. What we need is men who are seized of the beauty and value of Masonic teaching and willing to work to exemplify it within and without the lodge. Such men should be given office and opportunity, and they alone.

The suggestion that an officer, on reaching the Junior Warden's chair should prepare the work of the Entered Apprentice degree, on reaching the Senior Warden's chair, that of the Fellowcraft Degree, leaving only the Master Mason Degree to be prepared when he becomes Master, was acted upon in some cases. One District Deputy Grand Master reports an exemplification of the conferring of the Entered Apprentice Degree by the Junior Warden, using a member of the lodge to represent a candidate. The District Deputy Grand Master reports the work excellently done. While, of course, under our constitution a degree can be conferred only by one having the rank of Master or Past Master, the exemplification of a degree by a Warden is not open to objection, and should be encouraged.

Its deep appreciation of the services of the District Deputy Grand Masters is gratefully recorded by your Committee. In many cases the weather and road conditions last fall and in the early winter made it most difficult to attend meetings, but, despite these handicaps, they carried out their programmes fully and effectively. Of them it might be said:

"Who would true valor see
Let him come hither.
Here one would constant be,
Come wind—come weather."

We have pleasure in recommending that the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be conferred on each of the following:

R.W. Bro. A. V. Pigott ..... 1st Masonic District
R.W. Bro. E. A. Newcomb ..... 2nd Masonic District
R.W. Bro. E. B. Litz ..... 3rd Masonic District
R.W. Bro. W. R. Leslie ..... 4th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson ..... 5th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran ..... 6th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. H. J. Barter ..... 7th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd ..... 8th Masonic District

R.W. Bro. Wm. J. Brown ..... 9th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. R. Watson ..... 10th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Geo. E. Miles ..... 12th Masonic District

Fraternally submitted,

BEN. C. PARKER,
Chairman, Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4), seconded by M.W. Bro. George Hunter (10), the report of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE AND APPEALS

The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals wishes to report that during the past year only two matters have been referred to this Committee for its decision.

The first question was the power of the Grand Lodge or your Board to force the bonding of Secretaries of Constituent Lodges and your Committee reported that under the present Constitution neither the Grand Lodge nor the Board had any such power, but that under the Constitution it was the duty of the Secretary of each Constituent Lodge to furnish an approved fidelity bond and the duty of the Master of each Lodge to require such bond to be furnished.

The only other matters submitted were certain Notices of Motion pertaining to Amendments to the Constitution and those Notices of Motion which were in order are set out in the Notice calling the 67th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

Members of this Committee have during the year sat on three Commissions for the trial of Masonic charges. Two of these trials have been disposed of and the third trial is still pending.

This Committee wishes to express its appreciation to the Grand Secretary for his fine spirit of co-operation with this Committee.

Fraternally submitted,

S. HART GREEN,
Chairman of Jurisprudence and Appeals.

On motion of R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (113), seconded by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (4), the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence fraternally submits its annual report and items of interest from Grand Lodge Proceedings received.

Consequent on paper saving your Committee has abandoned the former method of individual reviews.

A great deal of attention is being given to the solution of one of our problems—that of the unattached and also suspended brethren—and it would appear that a determined effort is being made to solve this problem.

Prior to the initiation of candidates, many Grand Lodges require the subordinate Lodges to give the candidates a preliminary statement concerning Freemasonry which must be read before signing the petition.

We are also including an Agenda on Masonry in Europe which we hope will be of interest to the brethren.

Fraternally submitted,

HUGH M. KERR,
Chairman.

On motion of R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), seconded by M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), the report of the Committee on Correspondence was received and adopted.

THE GRAND CHAPLAIN'S ADDRESS

The Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.,
Winnipeg, Man., June 4th, 1942.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

We meet at this Sixty-seventh Annual Communication of our Grand Lodge, not only to review our masonic activities for the past year, but also, and may we say more particularly,

to set our faces to the future. For the third time we meet against the background of the war and war-time conditions. These conditions, slowly but surely, and in many ways, demanding of us all ever increasing self-denial and sacrifice, present us with great issues and grave problems. Whether the true picture of this terrible business of war is yet seen by all or not, these present days are big with destiny for every democratic institution, including Masonry, for our own country and empire, and for the whole world. Christian ideals and standards are menaced today as they have not been for generations. The darkness of conflict, oppression, and paganism spread over the surface of the earth. In Germany, in Holland, in Belgium, in Denmark, in Norway, in France, in Italy, in Czeckoslovakia and Jugo-Slavia, throughout the Balkans, in China, Japan, in the islands of the Pacific, and on the seven seas, the ideals and institutions of our Christian civilization are in the crucible. Yes, my brethren, and in another way, throughout the British Commonwealth of nations and in the United States as well, we may observe the turgid currents of hostility. I doubt very much if the serious gravity of the situation which now confronts us, is yet realized by the people of Canada. This solemn declaration we venture to make, that if humanity is not to be thrown back into another Dark Age, and the development of a Christian civilization delayed for generations, the United Nations must defeat the Nazi powers; we must refute the Nazi philosophy of life; we must win the war; and we must also win the peace. Nothing less than this must be our programme, and make no mistake, it will require all the effort of which we are capable.

Let us not fail to take a good look at our generation and ourselves. Many forces are at work in our world, seeking to set man against man, nation against nation. Goodwill and confidence among nations, as well as among individuals, have almost disappeared. Selfishness, hatred, lust of power, intolerance, misunderstanding and injustice largely determine attitudes and activities. Innocent people in ever increasing numbers are being persecuted in cruel fashion, enslaved, and put to death because of race, creed or religion.

We need not remind you that Masonry, in many countries of the world, has come under the ban of the totalitarian powers. What is the offence committed by this noble fraternity, that it should be summarily abolished? It is largely because of its ideals of education, of right and honorable living, and of democracy. Freemasonry has built its programme upon the foundation rock of truth, justice, tolerance, understanding, goodwill and brotherly love. True enough it is, that if these principles were made the dynamic of the relationship between men and nations, there would, indeed, be "peace on earth and goodwill towards all men." The mission of Masonry is still, and has always been, the building of the ideal human temple.

The design of Freemasonry is not a destructive force. It is always constructive and progressive. We are builders, and to that programme Masons are committed by voluntary choice and solemn obligation. We stand for peace and progress. War and progress are incompatible, and so as Masons, we can never accept war as an effective instrument nor as the ultimate in carrying out the Masonic design. War will fail to achieve the ends we have in view. Dictators now, as heretofore, may do their worst, but the end of all their nefarious activities will result only in leaving all their countries smaller and poorer.

You have only to read history to be convinced of the truth of this assertion. Alexander, who had conquered the world of his day, and sighed for more worlds to conquer, died after a drunken debauch. Hannibal committed suicide, while being relentlessly pursued by his enemies. Caesar was assassinated at the very climax of his greatest triumph, and dictators from his day to this have met a similar fate. Napoleon conquered and imprisoned, ostracized from decent society, lived a lonely life of disillusionment and died on the obscure and rocky island of St. Helena. This man, though a professed atheist, in his reflections during his banishment, has left to posterity his unbiased conviction in unforgettable words: "Caesar, Charlemagne, Alexander the Great, and I founded great empires, but upon what did the genius of these creations exist—upon force. Jesus Christ founded His empire

upon love, and today millions would die for Him." Reckoned to be the greatest of all military generals in human history, and yet not one of them brought happiness to himself or to his people. Not one of them made a single permanent contribution to the progress and happiness of the world. Surely right must prevail over might. That is the verdict of history. Let us lift up our hearts! Be not dismayed! The Great Architect of the Universe, the Lord of Life, reigneth still! He will enable us to trample the king of terrors beneath our feet. In the present day, war-mad, ruthless and deceitful dictators of Europe and Asia will travel the same road of defeat and disgrace as their predecessors.

Such is the lesson of history. But we cannot, and dare not rest our case here. The end of the war, and the overthrow of the dictator will, we hope, begin the reign of peace. Freemasonry summons us to go farther, and calls its devotees to action. How can we have any more treaties of vengeance without destroying the whole world? You cannot kill, mutilate, and destroy in a passion of hate for years, not only material things but the finer cultural values of life, and then expect, in passion and vindictiveness, to make a lasting or a fair peace. Hate always fails in the end. Victory will be no guarantee of security or of prosperity or of happiness. No longer can any empire or nation ruthlessly try to rule the earth, or to subjugate weak nations to the indignity of exploitation.

In his address to Congress, on January 6th, 1941, President Roosevelt depicted the New Life of the world in memorable words:

> "In the future days, which we seek to make secure, we look forward to a world founded upon four essential freedoms. The first is freedom of speech and expression—everywhere in the world: the second is freedom of every person to worship God in his own way—everywhere in the world: the third is freedom from want, which translated into world terms, means economic understandings which will secure to every nation a healthy peacetime life for its inhabitants—everywhere in the world: and the fourth is freedom from fear, which translated into world terms means a world-wide reduc-

> tion of armaments to such a point and in such a thorough fashion that no nation will be in a position to commit an act of physical aggression against any neighbour—anywhere in the world. That is no vision of a distant millenium. It is a definite basis for a kind of world attainable in our own time and generation."

All of which means surely, that we must rise above polities and economics, and we must learn the hard, just, equal way of love. Victory and lasting peace lie only in that direction. "love never faileth!" And that is the pathway along which Masonry exhorts us to go.

Our responsibilities as good citizens and true Masons are far greater today than they have ever been, at any period in our life's history. It is sometimes said that times such as these in which we live are a challenge to Masonry. Brethren, the challenge is to us as Masons. Long since we were told by men of experience, that we must climb life's ladder. Our craft has attempted to teach us the symbolism of the ladder. Remember the foot of the Masonic ladder rests upon the volume of the Sacred Law. That is a secure foundation, and we may climb with assurance and confidence.

The ladder of our Masonic life is illuminated by faith, hope, and love—the three great lamps, that will guide our faltering steps through all the confusion and turmoil of our perplexed world to the summit of Masonic achievement. Our iniquitous acquisitiveness, born of self-interest, must go. We journey toward the placid waters and the green pastures of world brotherhood. If we would reach our goal, then we must proceed step by step. We will seldom be able to behold the distant scene where all our social problems are solved, but we can, at least, be assured of "a kindly light amid the encircling gloom" that leads us on. No baffling situation will be met in which we shall not be able to see at least our next step. In the rich heritage of wisdom left us by Thomas Carlyle we find this: "Do the duty which lies nearest thee which thou knowest to be a duty. Thy second duty will already have become clearer."

Much of our failure in life finds its origin in an utter disregard of this fundamental law. Here is one of the simplest axioms of right living. How often it is disregarded by all of us! We want to know the end before we have made a beginning. We venture to take a peep at the last page of the book before we have read the story. We demand the brotherhood of man and a world federation before we are determined to be brotherly and co-operative ourselves. Dr. Washington Gladden, one of the world's social prophets of the last generation, was an undaunted advocate of world peace, racial brotherhood and industrial justice. True, he was at times, baffled by the complexity of the problems he faced, and could not put his finger on the solution but he went "head up and breast forward" in faith and hope. He says:

"I know that right is right,
That it is not good to lie,
That love is better than spite
And a neighbour than a spy.

"In the darkest night of the year,
When the stars are all gone out,
That courage is better than fear,
And faith is truer than doubt."

Freemasonry is the science and art of right living. It is a science, in that it seeks to discover the principles of right living; it is an art, in that it exhorts its members to apply to their life those principles which it has discovered. Could Masons do better than accept that statement as a working definition of their fraternity? If here in Manitoba, in every lodge, in every district, it is adopted and applied to every day conduct, 10,000 Masons of this Grand Jurisdiction need have no disappointments or concern about the New Order of humanity, the state of Masonry, or the future reign of peace, goodwill, and brotherhood—everywhere in the world.

P. T. PILKEY,

Grand Chaplain.

COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS

To the Most Worship the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worship Sir and Brethren:

During the year the sum of $7,780.00 was available for investment for the Benevolent Endowment Fund, and $7,700.00 for the Beneficiary Fund. This money was invested by your Committee as follows:

BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

Dominion of Canada Bond 3% maturing March 1st, 1954 (Second Victory Loan)	$5,800.00	
War Savings Certificate	480.00	
Post Office Savings Bank	1,500.00	
		$7,780.00

BENEFICIARY FUND

Dominion of Canada Bond 3% maturing June 15th, 1951 (First Victory Loan)	$4,000.00	
Dominion of Canada Bond 3% maturing March 1st, 1954 (Second Victory Loan)	3,700.00	
		$7,700.00
Total amount invested		$15,480.00

The money for investment for the Benevolent Endowment Fund became available from the proceeds of the sale of the property known as 66 Waterloo street, Winnipeg, repayments of principal on account of mortgage loans, Life Membership fees and donations.

Our investment in properties acquired through foreclosures has been reduced during the year by $10,221.67 as follows:

1941	$44,133.95
1942	33,914.28
Reduction	$10,221.67

Property No. 66 Waterloo street acquired by Quit Claim in connection with our Mortgage on that property was sold for cash. We received from the sale of the property, after adjustments of commission, taxes and insurance were made, the sum of $4,044.52. The original loan on the property made on May 2nd, 1925, was $2,500.00. This was substantially increased through the payment by us of taxes and insurance necessary to protect the property. This property was not rentable, the house being too large and expensive for any normal family. The carrying charges were excessive, amounting to $801.50 during the year ending March 31st, 1941. By its sale, we have converted an annual loss in carrying charges to gain in revenue from interest on the invested proceeds of the sale, in Dominion of Canada bonds.

We found it necessary to make extensive repairs to some of our properties, acquired through foreclosure. The revenue from rentals of these properties for the year amounted to $3,260.50, while the expenditures including repairs, taxes, insurance, etc., totalled $3,258.86 leaving a surplus of receipts over expenditures of $1.64.

Five of the properties held by us produced a surplus from rentals amounting to $1,220.48. No. 275 Harvard avenue, owing to extensive repairs had a deficit of $542.36, 66 Waterloo street (sold) carrying charges to date of sale, deficit $676.48.

Total deficit in respect to two properties	$1,218.84
Surplus from five properties	$1,220.48
Deficit from two properties	1,218.84
Net surplus from all properties	1.64

There is still no change in respect to the $10,000.00 Alberta Bonds forming part of the invested Capital of the Benevolent Endowment Fund. The interest due on these bonds is now in default six years.

The sum of $6,592.20 has been disbursed from the Beneficiary Fund during the year.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

ROYAL BURRITT,
Chairman.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3). seconded by R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), the report of the Investment Committee was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

What is it that sets the foot of man upon new journeys? Is it not the spirit of adventure that he may follow the urge common in all our natures. There is something in every man's blood; an appeal to conquer new worlds; a fascination to travel the hidden recesses of undiscovered country; the lure of adventure beckons everyone toward their legendary Western Sea.

In the realm of Freemasonry I think of adventure in a broader sense than in travelling along uncharted rivers or across the endless plains. My thoughts centre upon the men who lit the lamp of Freemasonry in Manitoba; men to whom we may properly ascribe the eulogy;

> "Those sturdy men who set the altar of Freemasonry on the frontier of this commonwealth were prophetic souls. They were men of faith who builded better than they knew, as men of faith always do. They believed in the future, in the growth of large things from small beginnings, and in the principles of Masonry as the true foundation of society and the fortress of a free state."

So brethren, away back in the year 1864, in the scattered hamlet known as Red River Settlement, eight brother Masons, separated from their nearest lodge by at least 500 miles, adventured in organizing and constituting a Masonic Lodge, under dispensation of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

Why should I consider this act of the eight brethren an adventure? First, the government of all this Western country was vested in the Council of Assiniboia, a creation of the Hudson's Bay Company, owners of the territory prior to the transfer to Canada.

In the year 1864, Confederation had not been accomplished, this event taking place in 1867. The Province of Manitoba did not exist nor did it come into being until six years later—1870.

It was three years after that—in 1873—before the City of Winnipeg was incorporated. We require little imagination, with this brief background, to understand that it was an out-of-the ordinary undertaking for these eight pioneers to even dream of starting their lodge. They did that thing, and from this event has proceeded the Freemasonry that spread and multiplied throughout the whole country to the West.

Let us try and picture a visit to the primitive lodge about 75 years ago. The mud was very deep along the trail which followed the winding course so evident as you travel along Main street, Winnipeg, even to this day.

There were no sidewalks and the temper of the early citizen was sorely tempted, his only relief being the colorful and expressive language of the frontier as he picked his steps to and from the lodge-room.

Even at a later date, the advent of sidewalks brought an attendant slippiness on a wet day and only you who have experienced the difficulty of balance along a muddy board walk, can fully understand the treachery which lay all along the way.

The rude buildings which made up the settlement gave little evidence of a paint-up or clean-up campaign; the houses were small and bore little or no appearance of the architect's skill.

The mosquito and the house-fly were not obliged to battle with the screen door and window as these were unknown in the Settlement, and the summer pests of humanity enjoyed a glorious era of open-faced opportunity.

Illumination was by candle glow; the Hydro energy of the Winnipeg River, now lighting more than half the Province was not even a dream.

These were local conditions confronting the men who started our Craft upon its journey. They were more than dreamers; they subdued the wilderness and kindled the spirit that has characterized the West from the very beginning of things.

Having given you a word picture of the surroundings of the place, I want you to accompany me to the corner of Main Street and Lombard Avenue. The spell of fancy will transport us for a few minutes across the span of years, and a few yards from the fork of the trail we observe a small, white painted building; dim lights show from the upper windows and we observe two or three men climbing the outside stairway.

We approach the building and follow the men I have just mentioned up the stairway. Entering the room at the top, we are met by Robert Morgan, armed with his sword, duly vigilant, the Tyler for Northern Light Lodge. Brother Morgan is a Mason of the old school. To attend lodge he had travelled about 80 miles, along the Indian trail, but when the gavel sounded for the opening of the Lodge, he was ready at his post.

Business at his distant store in Pembina had been left to the care of his assistant while he visited Red River to attend lodge and fraternize with his fellow members.

Our presence outside the door of the Lodge is announced and after the formality of proving ourselves to be regular and worthy Masons, we are permitted to enter. Within the door we exchange the grip with the Junior Deacon, Charles Curtis. Brother Curtis we learn is an American by birth, but hearing the call of the West, he had left the United States with his young family and had taken up residence at Portage la Prairie, where he had established himself as the village blacksmith. Like the Tyler, it had been necessary that he should also travel a considerable distance in order that he should be present at Lodge, and we find him on duty upon entering the room.

Brother Curtis was frequently visited by the muse and in tribute to this old pioneer I quote two stanzas from one of his effusions. This little poem doubtless had been inspired as he toiled at his forge and soliloquised with the trusty hammer:

"I thanked my hammer as I stood,
Forgetting Him that doeth good.
'Not So', it said,
Once more its face of steel it raised,
And sang out softly, 'God Be Praised',
He is the head.

"Not unto me the thanks are owed.
But to the great, the living God,
Who loves thee still.
To succor, stretches forth His arm,
Feeds thee, and keeps them from all harm,
Then do His will."

Truly a fine philosophy and worthy of any brother to keep in mind in these trying days of doubt and mistrust.

Brother Curtis died in 1874, and although no Masonic Lodge had been formed at Portage la Prairie at that time, three members of the Craft conducted the Masonic funeral rites over his remains.

We are still in the lodge-room. We follow established custom and approach the altar. This was no carved or elaborate piece of furniture, just a simple table, made by the local carpenter from a few deal boards. But, it had been transformed to an altar by reason of the purpose for which it was used by the lodge.

We receive an affectionate welcome from a young man seated in the Master's chair. He looks just a lad, barely out of his teens. The Worshipful Master, we discover, is John Christian Schultz, a native of Amherstburg, Essex County, Ontario. He had graduated as a medico from Queen's College, Kingston, in 1862, and forthwith set his face toward Red River. He had been made a Mason before leaving his Eastern Home. Dr. Schultz was one

of that little band of pioneers who braved the hardships and dangers of the plains in the early sixties, to win fortune and position in an unknown wilderness. He did both; he even did more, he brought Freemasonry to our district.

John Schultz was 21 years of age when he arrived at Red River. He was selected as the first Worshipful Master of the new Lodge at the age of 23. He subsequently became one of the leaders of the community and was an insistent advocate of the rights of the people when they came to demand a voice in the government. His influence and activity contributed in no small measure to the fulfilment of the popular demand which was finally brought to full fruition when the ownership of the Country passed to Canada and the Province of Manitoba was created in 1870.

At the age of 42, (in 1883) he was chosen as a Senator of the Dominion of Canada; five years later, at the age of 47, he was appointed Lieut.-Governor for the Province of Manitoba and continued in office until 1895. He received the title, Sir John Schultz, at the hand of Her Majesty, Queen Victoria, in 1894. Two years later, on 13th April, 1896, while on holiday at Monterey, Mexico, he passed to the Celestial Lodge, above, at the age of 53.

Commenting editorially, the "Free Press" made this reference to the passing of John Schultz; "Manitoba never possessed a better friend, Canada a more devoted son, nor the Empire a more loyal subject than Sir John Schultz." Truly a fine tribute from a newspaper, who, during his lifetime and years of public service, opposed him in the field of politics.

But, we must not forget we are still in the lodge-room. Looking toward the West we observe a bright, alert young man in his early thirties. He is Senior Warden. We now meet Andrew Graham Ballenden Bannatyne. Andrew was a native of the Orkney Islands where he was born in 1829. His ancesters had been district governors of the Hudson's Bay Service. He had come to the West as a lad of 17 in the year 1846. His first service with the Company had been under Andrew McDermott at Norway House, but in 1851, he entered business for himself at Red River and the Lodge-room (in which the meetings took place) was the upper floor of his business premises.

Our examination of local history gives ample evidence that Andrew Bannatyne left his impress upon the life of the community. The many positions he occupied are definite marks of his ability. He was appointed magistrate of the Middle District on November 5th, 1861, Petty Judge of the third Section, April, 1862; Postmaster, November 25th, 1862; President of the Petty Court, Middle District, 3rd August, 1865; Councillor of Assiniboia, 23rd January,

1868; Postmaster General in the Second Provisional Government, 9th February, 1870, and he was Postmaster of Fort Garry and Inspector of Post Offices for the Province until 1874. In 1875, he was elected to the House of Commons for Provencher on the expulsion of Louis Riel.

Andrew Bannatyne was largely responsible for the beginning of the Winnipeg General Hospital and through his generosity and that of his father-in-law, Andrew McDermott, the site where the hospital stands to this day, was gifted to the governors of that institution.

He died in Winnipeg, 18th May, 1889, and his remains lie in Old Kildonan Churchyard.

The lodge is now called from labor to refreshment. We meet the other officers and brethren in attendance.

Brother William Inkster is an independent merchant in the community. He had been born in the Settlement and son of one of the pioneer families. Like the Senior Warden he had occupied the position of Councillor of Assiniboia for some years. He died at an early age and little record of his activity is available to us at this date.

Brother Sheal, Treasurer, had travelled from Pembina in company with the Tyler, he being a merchant across the International border. Brother W. B. Hall, Senior Deacon, had a farm along the Assiniboine River in the vicinity of the Charleswood we know today.

We step over to the Secretary's desk and make the acquaintance of Brother William Coldwell. We learn he is a journalist who had arrived at Red River in 1859.

His initial business effort was to establish the first newspaper in Western Canada. Formerly he had been a shorthand writer in the Legislative Assembly of Canada, now he was newshound for the Settlement.

In discussion with Brother Secretary, we were informed that three of the initiates received into the Lodge since it was organized were clergymen connected with the Church of England. Let us introduce these clerical brethren.

Rev. Thomas Thistlewaite Smith, a native of Holyhead in Wales. He is 26 years of age. Very shortly after being initiated he was transferred to another station, far removed from Red River—Cumberland Mission—where he remained from 1866 to 1867, then he returned to England in 1868, at which time he severed his connection with the local lodge.

Rev. W. H. Taylor, a native of Worcestershire and the incumbent of St. James Church. He had been in the country since 1850 and at the time of his initiation was 45 years old.

The most prominent of the three was Rev. James Hunter, known as Archdeacon Hunter. He was a native of Barnstaple, Devonshire, England. At the time of his initiation he was 47 years old. Brother Hunter's name is written on the pages of church history in our Province. He built the first church at the Pas, then known as Devon Mission. He translated the English Prayer Book into the Cree language, also several portions of scripture as well.

Should any brother visit Lisgar Lodge at Selkirk, he will find an Altar Bible bearing an inscription of presentation from Brother Hunter to the original Northern Light Lodge.

These missionaries of the Cross had a definite purpose in this country and across the trails and unsurveyed prairies they left their mark. These men erected humble and primitive buildings wherein to tell the story of the Gospel; they were men of faith, they served their Church, their country, and we believe their lodge in their travels hither and beyond in the early days.

An adventure in Masonry; yes, several adventures. First, crossing the imaginary line, not very well determined in these days, and from the brethren of Minnesota bringing the fellowship and fraternity of the Craft into a lone and isolate land.

Forming a lodge of their own with but eight members to carry the responsibility of the Craft across thousands of miles of wild, uncharted country.

Taking upon themselves, in a personal sense, the duty of citizenship by serving as Councillors in the only form of Government in existence before the country was given to Canada.

And does their deeds not mark them out as true and faithful Craftsmen?

It was indeed a great adventure, an adventure that to this day has left an influence upon the affairs of state, of church, of home, and an enduring evidence that Freemasonry is a progressive Science.

WM. DOUGLAS,
Grand Historian.

On motion of M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), seconded by R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey (25), the report of the Grand Historian was received and adopted.

GREETING FROM DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

During the Morning Session, the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, called on M.W. Bro. R.W. Stanford, P.G.M. of Minnesota, and R.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, D.G.M. of Saskatchewan, to address the brethren.

Our Distinguished Guests brought us friendly greetings and goodwill in short addresses very appropriate to the occasion and the serious times through which we are passing.

Our Grand Master thanked M.W. Bro. Stanford and R.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser for their thoughtful and timely messages.

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment by Most Worshipful Bro. Canon George R. Calvert until 2.30 p.m.

Second Day

Thursday, June 4th, 1942

Afternoon Session

LABOR RESUMED

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by Most Worshipful Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, Grand Master, at 3:08 p.m.

FIFTY-YEAR JEWEL

W. Bro. Robert J. Morgan (25) was presented at the Altar by W. Bro. Mitchell Cobban, Secretary of Ionic Lodge No. 25.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, congratulated W. Bro. Morgan on being privileged to serve the Craft for so many years, and in presenting him with his Fifty-year Jewel, wished him many more years of service in the Craft.

COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND THE LIBRARY

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worship Grand Master and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Masonic Research and Education, begs to report as follows:

During the past year your Committee has held three meetings of its own members, and three meetings jointly with the chairman and members of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry. Two special Committees were appointed from these latter meetings, one for the purpose of going into the question of the advisability of recommending the issue of a Declaration of Masonic Principles, which was done. The other for the purpose of compiling a questionnaire to be sent out to constituent Lodges in the First, Tenth and Twelfth Masonic Districts, for issue to their members. This questionnaire was sent out in the first place, as a tentative measure, to two Lodges in each of the First and Twelfth Districts, on March 9th, last, and at a largely attended meeting of the Masters, Wardens and Secretaries, of Lodges in the three districts named, and a goodly proportion of the D.D.G.M.'s of the whole Jurisdiction, held in the Masonic Temple, on April 24th, the Masters of these four Lodges each presented a short report of the progress so far made. In the general discussion which followed, a number of the Brethren took part, many ideas were expressed, and recommendations made. The two following resolutions were proposed and carried unanimously. First, that the questionnaire be sent to the remaining Lodges in the First, Tenth and Twelfth Districts, and that its scope be extended to take in the whole of the Jurisdiction. Second, that the question of lowering the fee for initiation in the First, Tenth and Twelfth Districts, be referred to the respective District Meetings at the next Grand Lodge Communication. At the conclusion of the meeting it was agreed that a similar meeting should be arranged during the coming Autumn season.

The Librarian in charge reports an increase in the number of books issued during the Masonic year which closed on March 31st. He attributes this in some measure to an arrangement he has recently been able to make with the Past Masters of a few of the Lodges situated outside the City of Winnipeg and its immediate vicinity. These Past Masters have very kindly consented, each in his own Lodge, to assume the responsibility of looking after the books sent out to him from the Library, distributing them to his Lodge members, returning them to the Library to be replaced when necessary, and sending in to the Librarian a list showing the names of the Brethren who have read them. This does not of course entail any output for mail charges, the arrangement the Library has with the Postal authorities takes care of that. This method of distributing books to members residing outside the Winnipeg District, is at present only in its infancy, the Librarian intends during the coming year to enlarge its scope so as to include as many as possible of the Lodges situated outside the Winnipeg District, provided he can find a member in each Lodge sufficiently interested in Masonic Education, to co-operate with him.

There are at present seven Lodges whose members are now, or will shortly be, supplied with reading matter in this way, and the Librarian desires through the medium of this report, to express his sincere appreciation of the whole hearted co-operation he has received from the following Past Masters who are acting with him in these particular Lodges.

W. Bro. E. P. Venables.....Hamiota Lodge No. 84
R.W. Bro. A. K. Cates.....Reston Lodge No. 104
R.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald.....Shiloh Lodge No. 70
R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran.....Glenwood Lodge No. 27
W. Bro. H. W. Clark.....Strathclair Lodge No. 106
W. Bro. R. L. Cochran.....Harmony Lodge No. 142
W. Bro. W. A. Mackie....St. Andrew's Lodge No. 116

During the period between April 1st, 1941 and March 31st, 1942, the number of books loaned to members of the various Masonic Districts was as follows:

First	59	Seventh	1
Second	31	Eighth	43
Third	6	Ninth	6
Fourth	3	Tenth	36
Fifth	27	Twelfth	57
Sixth	22	Lodges i/c G.M.	3

During the same period there were 56 Lodges in the Jurisdiction whose members did not make any use of the Library. Of these 7 are situated in the City of Winnipeg, or its immediate vicinity, and 49 are outside.

The Librarian states that these latter Lodges will be the first he will approach with the view of extending the distribution of books to members of Lodges outside the Winnipeg District, already referred to in this report.

During the Masonic year which closed on March 31st, 57 Brethren belonging to Lodges situated outside the Winnipeg District, took advantage of our arrangement with the Post Office to patronize the Library through the mail. The Librarian desires to make it clear that the proposed new method of providing reading matter for Brethren residing in country districts is not intended in any way to interfere with this, as it affords him opportunities to keep in contact with friends whose distance from Winnipeg does not permit of his seeing them very often.

With regard to what Lodges in this Jurisdiction are doing about Masonic Education, a few are still maintaining a very live interest in Study Clubs. The most outstanding club is that of "The Assiniboine" number 114, Winnipeg. This club meets monthly

at 5.45 p.m. The members have dinner together, and afterwards discuss the topic for the evening. The attendance is usually between 30 and 40. Samples of the programmes of two of these meetings are as follows:

(a) Questions to be discussed.

1. How may a Mason interest a non-Mason in our Order?
2. What is the body of Freemasonry?
3. Where does the Principal Loyalty of a M.M. centre? And why?
4. What are the Ancient Landmarks of Freemasonry?

These questions were assigned to four members, who led and guided the discussion of them.

(b) An address by W. Bro. Dr. A. J. Brace, First Master of the Masonic Lodge Cheng-Tu, China on:

"Masonry, Ancient and Modern in China."

This address was so interesting and instructive that many who heard it have expressed the hope that more of our members may have the opportunity of hearing him in the near future.

Some Lodges have a short address during the Lodge Meeting, on Topics of Masonic interest.

Your committee would suggest that its powers be increased, until amendments to the Constitution be made, by adding the following to its duties:

To encourage the study of Freemasonry

(a) Through Study Clubs,
(b) Through Lodge Committees on Masonic Knowledge,
(c) By arranging for Addresses on Masonic Subjects,
(d) By co-operating with other bodies interested in Masonic Education.

The Committee again expresses its appreciation of the faithful work of the Librarian, M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, his services have been of particular value in acting as Secretary of the joint Committees, in addition to his duties as Librarian.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

S. BURLAND,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE GRAND LODGE LIBRARIAN

To R.W. Bro. S. Burland, Chairman of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education.

Dear Sir and R.W. Brother:

Herewith find report of the Grand Librarian for the year ended March 31st, 1942.

I am pleased to report that in spite of the unrest in the world, the Library has been extensively used by a number of the Brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction, and we hope it has been of value to those who have borrowed the books.

During the past year there have been, comparatively speaking, a large number of books presented to the Library, for which we desire to express our thanks. A list showing the names of the books, and those donating them is attached hereto.

Also attached is a list showing the books and other literature sent out from the Library during the period from April 1st, 1941 to March 31st, 1942.

We are hoping that when peace is restored, we shall continue to be of as great, if not greater, value to the Brethren than we have been up to now.

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods has been as active as ever, and has been ready at all times to give service.

Fraternally submitted,

C. E. SOMERSET,
Grand Librarian.

List showing books and other literature sent out from the Library during the Masonic Year 1941-42.

Encyclopaedias, etc.	14
Societies, Transactions	1
History and Philosophy	38
Symbolism	80
Freemasonry and Citizenship	2
Rites, Degrees, Manuals	15
History, Geographical Divisions	16
General Works	6
Jewels, Medals, etc.	2
Jurisprudence, etc.	5
Short Tales and Essays	4
Art and Architecture	2
Addresses, Lectures, etc.	20
Magazines, Bound	1
Poetry and Drama	2
Novels and Tales	39
Miscellaneous, not Masonry	34

Proceedings 13
Magazines 19
Clippings from Magazines 25
Questionnaires 5

List of books donated to the Library during the Masonic Year 1941-42.

History of Freemasonry, 7 Volumes .....
History of the Civil War .....
Jew Students' Reference Book, 2 Volumes .....
Students and the Modern Missionary Crusade, 2 Volumes .....
Library of Universal Knowledge, 8 Volumes .....
— St. John's Lodge Number 4 G.R.M. A.F. & A.M.

Symbols and Legends of Freemasonry .....
Manual of Freemasonry .....
— Widow of the Late Brother J. S. McKenzie

Holy Bible, 4 Vols. Illustrated ..
The Meaning of Masonry .....
Life and Works of Josephus .....
Book of Jewish Thoughts .....
— M.W. Brother H. E. Bletcher

Mother Lodge Kilwinning ..... W. Brother Alex Jameson

Grand Lodge National of France 1937 ... M.W. Brother N. J. Black

The Antiquities of Freemasonry .... R.W. Brother G. W. Findley

Mystic Masonry ..... W. Brother M. Cobban

History, Freemasonry in Canada .. — Widow of late W. Brother W. R. Wetmore

Freemasonry and Concordant Orders ..... Brother J. Coulter

Freemasonry and Concordant Orders .....
Encyclopaedia of Freemasonry .....
Freemasonry in Canada, 2 Volumes .....
— Brother E. E. Tilley

Encyclopaedia of Masonry, 2 Volumes ..... — Daughter of late Brother Carey, Swift Current, Sask

C. E. SOMERSET,
Grand Librarian.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Sam. Burland (12), seconded by R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer (10), the report of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education, and the Grand Lodge Library was received and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

There have been no matters submitted to your Committee during the past year which require action by Grand Lodge. Such correspondence as we have received from Grand Jurisdictions unhampered by the enemies of Masonic principles and objectives, indicate that the Order is maintaining its standards of fraternal relationships, coupled with a growing determination to make them more effective in the days to come in achieving the ideals of human brotherhood for which it stands.

One application for fraternal recognition was received from the Grand Lodge of Unida Mexicana. This is a dual jurisdiction with the Grand Lodge of Mexico with whom we have fraternal relations, and while we have not declined the application, we have intimated that it will not be dealt with under present unsettled conditions in the hope that with the return of more normal relationships in all departments of life that dual jurisdiction of Grand Lodges may also be possible of elimination.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN J. BLACK,
Chairman.

On motion of M.W. Bro. Norman J. Black (3), seconded by R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon (3), the report of the Committee on Foreign Relations was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

Once again the time has come, as it has always come during our Grand Communications in the past, for us to pause in our deliberations in order that we may pay our tribute of respect to those Brethren of our great Institution who during the past year have crossed to that "Undiscovered Country from whose bourn no traveller returns". Their names will appear on the Memorial Pages of the Proceedings of this Grand Communication, their memory will be enshrined in our hearts.

Two of these Brethren were accorded the highest honour in the gift of this Grand Lodge, one of them, M.W. Brother Samuel P. Matheson, better known to most of us here as Archbishop Matheson, was Grand Master in the year 1879, when this Grand Lodge was in its infancy; the other, M.W. Brother J. C. Walker Reid, reached that high office in the year 1926. In some ways the characters of these two beloved Brethren were very similar, both were staunch friends and wise counsellors, whom to know was a privilege highly prized by many of us.

"So when a good man dies,
For years beyond our ken
The light he leaves behind, lies
Upon the paths of men".

Death is the common heritage of us all; the rich, the poor, the high, the low, all must bow to its sceptre, all must answer its call.

That call has not yet reached us who are assembled here today, but as Freemasons we should await it with quiet confidence, for we believe in the immortality of the Soul. There may be many of us, especially those who are drawing near to, or have passed the allotted span of three score years and ten, who in our more serious moments, find ourselves indulging in a kind of sacred wonder, as to the form our call will take; sooner or later we shall all receive it, and surely Brethren it is good for us to sit down at times and give it some quiet thought and contemplation.

We learn through our Grand Secretary that some of our Sister Grand Lodges have reported the deaths during the past year of many of their esteemed and distinguished brethren; let us therefore as we pay our tribute to the memory of our own departed brethren, dwell with sympathy and understanding on the memory of those who although perhaps not personally known to us, were nevertheless bound to us by ties that death cannot sever.

Fraternally submitted,

S. A. WOOD,
For Chairman.

COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee appointed to review the Address of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master begs to report as follows:

The Grand Master, although engaged in many activities gave unstintingly of his time and talents to the business of Freemasonry and presents a record of devoted service.

He was most zealous in the performance of his duties, and in his eloquent address he interprets Freemasonry as a living, vital, moral force in which we, as Masons, should be constantly re-dedicating ourselves to God, and our services to mankind; this being the smallest evidence of reverence and appreciation that we can contribute to an Omnipotent Father for his gifts to us of life, lighted by Him, and for a soul in nature Immortal.

In this time of war, when the very foundations of civilization are in peril, the Grand Master performed a monumental task in seeking to maintain in the hearts and minds of the members of the Craft the essential equipoise that sober conversation and sound judgment make for peace and harmony. We endorse the Grand Master's remarks in which he says: "That we have faith and confidence in God in final victory, and that we are grateful that, to the British Commonwealth of Nations was given the privilege of sustaining human freedom." The emphasis which he places on loyalty to the Empire and the desire to participate to the limit of our resources in this war of right against wrong, and the preservation of human freedom, meets with our hearty endorsation.

We heartily approve of the efforts of the Grand Master in the cause of International Amity and his visits to the Grand Jurisdictions of Minnesota and North Dakota, bear ample testimony to his work in this regard.

He has made it clear that if we are disheartened by the trials of war and human experience, we need courage, patience, purity and loving kindness.

Fitting reference is made to the loss sustained by our Grand Jurisdiction by the passing of two of our beloved Past Grand Masters to the Grand Lodge above. We commend his eloquent tribute to the memory of our Senior Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Archbishop Matheson, who adorned the Grand East Sixty-three years ago. One of the dynamic forces in the public life of Canada for three-quarters of a century. He always looked upon the silver lining of the cloud and drew the weaker men with him towards the sunrising. He will rank in history as one of Canada's greatest sons.

In the passing of M.W. Bro. J. C. Walker Reid the Grand Master lost a personal friend, who exercised a tremendous force for good and who always exercised his talents for the good of the Craft.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master was most assiduous in his visitations. We note that he visited the three lodges under the personal supervision of the Grand Master, visited 23 Constituent Lodges and attended every District Meeting. He also attended

the International Meetings held by "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114 on April 7th, and that held by Ionic Lodge No. 25 on May 30th, 1942. Perhaps the high lights of his visitations were his attendance at the Golden Jubilee of Killarney Lodge No. 50 and the Diamond Jubilee of Brandon Lodge No. 19. These lodges have builded on a sure foundation and are deserving of our congratulations.

We commend the action of the Grand Master in requiring Special Reports from the Secretaries of the different lodges at the District Meetings where the Brethren were enabled to pool their experiences, and where encouragement and inspiration were derived from the reports given.

The Grand Master makes timely reference to the fact that "too often Freemasonry is divorced from the life of the community" and that "greater efforts should have been made to contact Masons in our Armed Forces". We are pleased to note his interest in Masons in the Air Force from the Sister Dominions of Australia and New Zealand.

It is also pleasing to note that seven of our brothers reached their 50th milestone and received Veterans Jewels during the year.

Your Committee appreciates the honor conferred on the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary in being received by H.R.H. the Duke of Kent, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, on the occasion of his visit to Winnipeg, when he had the pleasure of making large donations to the Queen's Fund and the United Grand Lodge of England on our behalf. His expressions of loyalty to His Majesty the King on this occasion were most timely and are heartily approved.

It is pleasing to note that during his year of office, the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts attended Divine Service in Augustine and St. Matthews church respectively. The inspiration derived from these services must have had a lasting effect upon the brethren attending.

In conclusion, your Committee feels that the Most Worshipful the Grand Master not only shows a comprehensive knowledge of all the great principles and ideals of Freemasonry, and a need for their application in the present day, but shows a complete knowledge of the affairs of his Grand Lodge and its needs to make it a more effective agent for carrying out an application of these ideals.

It is our pleasure to recommend that this Grand Lodge expresses its appreciation for the untiring efforts of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master which so forcibly impresses upon us his exalted sense of duty in the performance of the activities

imposed upon him. We feel that we are deeply indebted to him for his untiring efforts and the faithful and conscientious manner in which he fulfilled his trust and he be highly commended for the time contributed by him in his visitations.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. HENDERSON,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of the M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102), seconded by M.W. Bro. George Hunter (10), the report on the Grand Master's Address was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee, to whom the report of the Grand Secretary has been referred, beg to report as follows:

The report of the Grand Secretary must always follow along the same routine, that is, giving the statistics of Grand Lodge and therefore, the comments of your Committee are in the main a repetition from year to year.

Your Committee is pleased to note a decrease in the figure showing the net loss in membership during the past year. This is encouraging especially as the loss through suspensions is considerably decreased from previous years. Your Committee is also pleased to note that 53 lodges had no suspensions during the year and would suggest that perhaps the number of suspensions might be further decreased by a little more energetic prosecution of their duties by the Masters and Secretaries of the Constituent Lodges.

The report of the Grand Secretary briefly states that 109 Despensations were granted during the year. Twenty-four of these because the moon did not co-operate with the regulations of the constitution and permit some lodges to hold their meetings in the month of November. Your Committee suggests that the lodges so affected should make note of this fact and take steps to change the date of their meetings.

Your Committee also notes that only one-third of the lodges in the Grand Jurisdiction had their December returns in on time.

Your Committee suggests that this lack of consideration is an imposition on the Grand Secretary and his staff and suggest that incoming District Deputies take note and endeavor to have the Secretaries in their respective districts compete for a 100% record for 1942.

These facts are stated briefly and it is only those knowing the routine of a Secretary's office who can realize the amount of work required to produce the material required for the Grand Secretary's report.

Your Committee wish to express appreciation to the Grand Secretary and his staff for the able and efficient manner in which the duties of the office have been handled during the past year.

In addition to the duties of his office, the Grand Secretary has found time to accompany the Most Worship Grand Master on all his official visits and your committee is pleased to note that he has been made an Honorary Member of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, with the rank of Past Grand Secretary. We extend our most hearty congratulations for this honor, which is so well deserved.

Fraternally submitted,

M. S. DONOVAN,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (113), seconded by R.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70), the report on the Grand Secretary's Report was received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON GRAND LODGE WAR EFFORT

President, Board of General Purposes, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Dear Sir and Brother:

As instructed by the Board, your Committee on Grand Lodge War Effort has made further investigations and given added consideration to the subject and begs to report as follows:

In our report submitted April 11th, two projects were recommended:

(1) Augment the funds necessary to carry on the work of the Beaver Club.

(2) The purchase of one Mobile Kitchen, fully equipped.

Other fields such as the United Services Canteen, Air Raid Victims' Fund, Canadian Red Cross Society, Prisoners of War Fund and the Blood Donors' Fund could be considered; but in supporting these we would lose our identity in the various pools of contributions.

Therefore, your Committee after further considering the matter, recommend that the moneys so raised be disbursed by the Board of General Purposes and specifically applied to relieve Masonic needs in other Jurisdictions where the devastations of war necessitate assistance.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Chairman.

On motion of R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter (111), the report was received and adopted.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Section Four of the Constitution be amended by deleting all that portion thereof after the word "appropriate" in the third line thereof, and adding the following:

> "In the case of a member of this Jurisdiction, notice of motion to confer such rank and distinction shall be sent, in writing, by the mover, to the Grand Secretary not later than the first day of March preceding the Annual Communication, at which, such motion is to be proposed. In the case of a Sister Jurisdiction, notice of motion shall not be necessary. In either case, a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting shall be necessary."

It's adoption was moved by R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. S. H. Fabrni (11).

It was moved in amendment by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3), seconded by R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon (3) that the amendment be amended by deleting the words, "in the case of a member of this Jurisdiction".

On vote, the amendment was declared lost and the original motion carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

To Section 166 of the Constitution, add the following Sub-section (a).

"For the purposes of this Section, no Lodge nor any member thereof shall recognize or receive a Demit or Certificate of Standing of a member of a Sister Jurisdiction until such Demit or Certificate of Standing has been approved by the Grand Secretary."

On motion of R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer (10), the amendment was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

To add to Sub-section (i) of Section 132 after the words "Grand Lodge" the following:

"Together with the Demits or Certificates of Standing, of Masons affiliating during the term and preserve a copy of the Returns."

On motion of R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), the amendment was carried.

GRAND LODGE GUESTS

At this period our Most Worshipful Grand Master called on the following to speak to Grand Lodge:

R.W. Bro. L. H. Colson, Deputy Grand Master, Minnesota.
R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, Saskatchewan.
W. Bro. C. M. Norton, Educational Director, Minnesota.

Each of these brethren extended greetings and best wishes, together with messages covering the great opportunities for service confronting Freemasons everywhere, in the days lying ahead and preparing for post-war reconstruction.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master expressed his thanks and appreciation for their timely messages.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master, on behalf of himself and the brethren present, offered congratulations to M.W. Bro. George N. Jackson on this, his 81st birthday, wishing him many more years of service in Grand Lodge and continued good health. This was greeted with applause.

M.W. Bro. Jackson thanked the Grand Master for his kindly remarks.

WAR EFFORT

R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington suggested that the M.W. Grand Master make an appeal on behalf of the War Effort Fund at the Evening Session.

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment by Most Worshipful Bro. Canon George R. Calvert until 8:00 p.m.

Second Day

Thursday, June 4th, 1942

Evening Session

The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Masters and Distinguished Guests entered Grand Lodge while the brethren sang "Rise up, O men of God".

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by Most Worshipful Bro. Canon R. Calvert, Grand Master at 8:05 p.m. with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Credentials beg to report as follows:

There are 104 Chartered Lodges on the Grand Lodge Register, 86 Lodges are represented by one or more of their three principal officers, 18 are unrepresented, namely:

Morden Lodge No. 13
Birtle Lodge No. 39
Oak Lake Lodge No. 44
Killarney Lodge No. 50
Treherne Lodge No. 52
Russell Lodge No. 62
Hamiota Lodge No. 84
Hiram Lodge No. 94
Swan Lake Lodge No. 109
Mound Lodge No. 118
Roblin Lodge No. 122
Favel Lodge No. 126

Composite Lodge No. 64
Elkhorn Lodge No. 74
Cypress Lodge No. 82
Shellmouth Lodge No. 129
Foxwarren Lodge No. 152
Carman Lodge No. 155

Ninety-eight Lodges have one or more Past Masters present, and 6 Lodges have neither a Past Master nor Officer present, namely:

Birtle Lodge No. 39
Oak Lake Lodge No. 44
Hamiota Lodge No. 84
Mound Lodge No. 118
Favel Lodge No. 126
Shellmouth Lodge No. 129

There are:

Past Masters present	501	
Worshipful Masters present	72	
Senior Wardens present	53	
Junior Wardens present	38	
Total		664

Registered:

Master Masons	60	
Visitors	14	
Total		74

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. BIRT,
Chairman.

No.	Name of Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Tot. Vote
1	Prince Rupert's	1	1		15	17
2	Lisgar		1		8	9
3	Ancient Landmark .	1	1	1	11	14
4	St. John's	1	1	1	25	28
6	Emerson	1	1	1	8	11
7	Assiniboine	1	1	1	3	6
8	King Solomon	1	1		4	6
10	Northern Light	1	1	1	26	29
11	Gladstone	1	1	1	9	12
12	Stonewall	1		1	10	12
13	Morden				5	5
14	Prince of Wales	1			5	6
15	Corinthian	1	1	1	6	9
19	Brandon	1			1	2
24	Neepawa		1		2	3
25	Ionic	1	1	1	25	28
27	Glenwood	1		1	5	7
29	Carberry	1			4	5
30	Manitou	1		1	4	6
36	Doric	1			1	2
39	Birtle					0
40	Deloraine	1		1	2	4
43	Lebanon	1	1	1	1	4
44	Oak Lake					0
48	Glenboro	1	1		4	6
49	Temple	1		1	5	7
50	Killarney				2	2
51	Treherne				1	1
52	Hartney	1	1		1	3
54	Oriental	1			2	3
55	East Star	1			8	9
62	Russell				1	1
63	Holland	1	1		4	6
64	Composite				1	1
67	Wawanesa	1		1	3	5
68	Vermillion	1	1		1	3
70	Shiloh	1	1	1	6	9
71	Crystal	1	1	1	1	4
74	Elkhorn				1	1
75	Gothic	1				1
77	Napinka			1		1
82	Cypress				2	2
84	Hamiota					0
86	Elgin		1		2	3
87	Rathwell		1		4	5
90	Midlothian	1			1	2
92	Shoal Lake	1			4	5
93	King Edward	1	1	1	20	23
94	Hiram				5	5
100	Robbie Burns	1			1	2
101	Binscarth	1	1			2
102	Miniota		1	1	2	4

No.	Name of Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Tot. Vote
103	Crescent	1			1	2
104	Reston	1			1	2
105	Prince Arthur	1	1			2
106	Strathclair	1			3	4
107	Lansdowne		1		1	2
108	Union	1	1		4	6
109	Swan Lake				2	2
110	Kilwinning	1	1		6	8
111	Acacia	1	1		7	9
112	Ophir	1	1		4	6
113	Tweed	1	1		5	7
114	"The Assiniboine"	1			13	14
115	Rivers		1			1
116	St. Andrew's	1			8	9
117	Strathcona	1			4	5
118	Mound					0
119	Norwood	1	1	1	11	14
120	Penza	1	1	1	6	9
121	St. James		1		13	14
122	Roblin				2	2
123	Transcona	1	1	1	5	8
124	The Pas	1			1	2
125	Patricia	1			5	6
126	Favel					0
127	Empire		1	1	6	8
128	Victory	1			1	2
129	Shellmouth					0
130	Fort Garry	1	1	1	10	13
131	Kildonan	1	1		10	12
132	Sprague	1				1
133	McCreary	1	1		5	7
134	Stony Mountain	1	1	1	3	6
136	Capitol	1	1	1	13	16
137	Lord Selkirk	1	1	1	4	7
138	Windsor	1	1		8	10
139	Beaver	1	1	1	7	10
140	Meridian		1		5	6
141	Tuscan		1	1	3	5
142	Harmony	1	1		1	3
143	Mt. Sinai	1	1		10	12
144	Fort Osborne	1		1	6	8
145	Sturgeon Creek	1	1	1	7	10
146	Fidelity	1	1	1	13	16
147	Jubilee			1	2	3
148	Seven Oaks	1	1	1	4	7
150	Cartwright	1			3	4
151	The Dormer	1	1	1	6	9
152	Foxwarren				1	1
153	Flin Flon	1				1
154	Pine Falls			1	6	7
155	Carman				3	3
156	Manitouwapa	1		1		2
	Totals	72	53	38	501	664

On motion of V.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), seconded by R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr (113), the report of the Committee on Credentials was received and adopted.

GRAND LODGE WAR EFFORT

The Most Worshipful Grand Master explained the objects of the War Effort to raise at least $10,000.00 before March 31st, 1943, and appealed for the co-operation of all the members of our Grand Jurisdiction to do their utmost to assist the Committee when called upon to do so.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master tendered his thanks to the Grand Lodge Officers elected and appointed, and the District Deputy Grand Masters for the support they had given him during his term in office, and mentioned by name, M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, M.W. Bro. Justice W. J. Major, R.W. Bro. George E. Miles and R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell.

To M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd, who had been so sorely bereaved, he asked Grand Lodge to stand in token of sympathy with him in his sad loss.

The boys of St. Matthew's Choir under the leadership of Bro. Fred Walker sang:

"Music Spread Thy Voice Around"
"Drink to me only"
"Lovely Woods"
"Fairest Isle"
"Where E're You Walk"—Solo—Don Snowden.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master introduced the Guest Speaker M.W. Bro. Wm. P. Sturtz, Grand Master of Freemasons in Minnesota, and called on him to address the brethren:

ADDRESS OF M.W. BRO. WM. P. STURTZ

Most Worshipful Sir, Officers of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Distinguished Guests and Brethren:

I don't know whether you brethren realize it or not, but as Grand Masters go along together in their neighboring Jurisdictions there develops a very close tie between them. My visit here a year ago, at the time your Grand Master was installed, and his very pleasant visit to our Grand Lodge last January endeared him particularly to me, he being a contemporary Grand Master in an adjoining Jurisdiction. When he wrote me a short time ago asking if I would address your Grand Lodge this evening modesty inclined me to say "No", but brethren I could not do that with my very dear friend, Grand Master Canon Calvert, and for that reason I am here tonight and to the best of my ability I hope to leave a few thoughts with you.

It again warms the hearts of your brethren from Minnesota to receive the welcome hand of Masonic greetings and cordiality from the members of the Grand Jurisdiction of Manitoba at this your Sixty-seventh Annual Communication. Some one has said "Tread often the path which leads to the door of a friend." We on our side of the invisible door between the Grand Lodges of Manitoba and Minnesota rejoice in the strong pillars of Masonic friendship which are the Jachin and Boaz of that door. We have a common background of ancestry, a common yearning in search of the Truth which makes men free, and a common hope for that immortality of the soul which is beyond human description. Like our esteemed Brother, the Grand Master and Governor of North Dakota, many of the stalwart settlers of his state and mine came from Norway and Sweden. He might describe for you, as I cannot, the stretching of heart strings as sons and brothers left the old homestead and the loved ones whose roots were deeply anchored in the soil of peaceful valleys, to cross a mighty ocean and half a continent. In one family of four sons, three, including the eldest, made that long journey. By the hard work, thrift and clean living peculiar to their people they carried their light into

the new world. The senior brother became a Christian minister in his adopted land. After the lapse of time he recrossed the ocean to visit mother and father on the beautiful hillside which had been for him a memory during the years. On the morning of his second leave taking he found it difficult to join the family at breakfast. In the little bedroom, over the kitchen, while tucking the last articles in his traveling bag he heard mother singing joyously in the kitchen below. Joining her there he put his strong arm about her and asked: "Mother, how can you be so happy knowing I am to leave you again so soon?" Mother smiled up at her six foot son and replied: "Son, you were far away. Your return has greatly reduced the distance. I now know that the door swings both ways and I am happy." Brethren of Manitoba, we are happy that the door swings both ways between your homes and ours. Distances between us have been all but wiped away. Today it is our privilege to bring you Masonic greetings from your forty-seven thousand brethren in the Grand Jurisdiction of Minnesota.

Brethren, the world has passed through many upheavals. Many moorings have been swept away in the floodtides which have engulfed humanity. Temples built of stone and of human hearts have vanished without trace. History records the tramp of mad men across the face of the earth, leaving destruction and destitution in their wake. Today we find ourselves in the swirl and eddies of a maelstrom which calls for every ounce of energy, every strand of faith, every moment of clear thinking of which humanity is capable. In every crisis of history men have asked: whence did we come, what came we here to do, and whither are we travelling? They have been disturbed in mind and soul. Where are the sheet anchors of mental, moral and economic stability? Like a voice crying in the wilderness, that indefinable something within the Masonic breast bids us search for Truth,—that Truth which is Masonically synonomous with Light. The poet has said: "There is a Divinity which shapes our ends." In his extremity man has reached out to touch the hem of its garment. In his groping he has, with such light as has been revealed to him in each generation, struggled to ascend the ladder, rung by rung, to that vantage

point which permits visibility to greater and greater horizons. Our earliest ancestors erected altars of worship to the God of Light, about which they performed their circumambulations. Hence the symbolical teaching of the circumambulations about our Masonic altar, signifying our never ceasing search for further Light.

There are those who assert that Masonry is an outgrown, outmoded, outworn institution; a house built upon the sands, long since swept away, its usefulness destroyed by the ravaging winds of time; a rope of sand which has crumbled in our grasp and failed us in the critical journey up the rugged ascents and over the treacherous chasms of our twentieth century pathway. Among the landmarks of Freemasonry are such fundamental doctrines as a Belief in God; a Belief in Immortality, or Life Everlasting; a Belief in Equality of and Justice for all. Have we adhered to these landmarks?

For years individuals have been saying: "Forget such ideals. The world has changed. Streamline your lives and your Masonry." What tragedies have been wrought in the name of modernization.

Has Masonry failed, or is it man who has failed? Are old values, our Ancient Landmarks, no longer valid, or are they the precious gems which we have heaved over into the rubbish and walked upon? We have been content with the rough stones from the quarry in our endeavor to build our modern temple of civilization. Absent are the painstaking blows of the gavel in chipping off the rough corners and the stern test of the square in preparation for the builder's use. The varnished ashlar has been substituted for the polished ashlar. We have been deceived into thinking the eternal goal of man is the bouncing raft upon the sea rather than the safe, sure harbor where sails are furled when night descends.

The hurricane which has swept over our world today is due principally to man's failure to achieve Brotherhood. The tragedy of trying to solve the making of a man or a

nation in defiance of the Principles of Brotherhood, is written in letters of blood and fire, ancient and modern. It takes two men and God to make a Brother. Masonry agrees with every great religious faith that unless we comprehend this Trinity all human effort is doomed to failure. If America is the arsenal of Decomracy, truly Masonry must be an arsenal of Faith. If Masonry is to withstand the assaults against its arsenal of Faith Masonic lodges must awaken to their full responsibilities and obligations. We have been content to hide our Light under a bushel, whereas it should constitute the beacon directing our feet along the pathway to Universal Brotherhood. Are we not conscious of danger signals indicating the five points of Masonic fellowship may become enshrouded in the mists of personal indifference and the battle smoke of national selfishness and greed? The flame of sacrifice and devotion upon our altar will flicker and go out with loss of the vision and influence of Brotherhood.

No Mason of modern times has more vividly caught the spark of Divinity, with which he has relighted Masonic altars in thousands of hearts, than Brother Joseph Fort Newton. In his volume "The Men's House" he traces for us the earliest antecedents of contemporary Masonic lodges. In primative society there were four institutions, equally divine, equally sacred, all tokens of the solidarity of aspiration and obligation, of need and destiny, which bound humanity together: the Home, the Temple of Prayer, the State, and the fourth, no less important, the Men's House, a secret lodge in which every young man, when he came to maturity, was initiated into the law, legend, and tradition of his people. It was really the center of tribal life, the council chamber, the guest house, the place of meeting for men, where laws were made and courts were held, the storehouse where the trophies of war were treasured. Ceremonies of initiation were adopted. Ordeals were required as tests to prove youth worthy, by reason of valor and virtue, to be entrusted with the secret lore of the tribe. It became both school and temple.

History is no older than architecture. Instruction in the Men's House became associated with the art of building,

using the laws and tools of the builder as emblems of the truths of faith and morality. An order of builders, known as the Dionysian Artificers, were almost certainly the builders of the Temple of Solomon. Spanning the centuries before and after the birth of Christ these guilds or lodges performed the greatest service to civilization in the construction of edifices which are at once the wonder and glory of our race. Three or four hundred years ago scholars and students of mysticism began to ask to be accepted as members of the Lodges of Freemasons, the better to study their symbolism and teaching. These men, though not practical architects, were accepted as members of the order, —hence Free and Accepted Masons. Ceasing to build of brick and stone, the traditions and organization were retained, using their tools, laws, symbols and principles, with which to build a Temple of Righteousness, Friendship and Brotherhood upon earth. In Masonry the Temple is building and built upon, each workman not only a builder, but himself a living stone to be built into the whole, and each race of Masons building upon the foundations of those who have laid down their tools.

"Take heed, then Master Craftsmen, when this Temple shall arise
With its brave and gleaming towers pointing grandly to the skies,
Let yourselves compose the structure, let yourselves the Temple be,
That shall stand in great proportions unto all Eternity."

Builders of what? In the early part of the Great Light which shines upon our Masonic altar we are told that man was made in the image of God. Upon that hypothesis the first and greatest duty of man is to build his Temple in conformity with the specifications laid down by the Great Architect of the Universe. In this Divine task no man can build for another and no one can build alone. Each stone has no value except as it is perfected and perfectly installed in the structure of the whole. It must be good work, square work and true, plumb and level. The Architect admonishes us these finished qualities of the Master's piece are interpreted "To do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with

thy God." As the candidates for our fraternity come to us from the quarry we require of them "Belief in the Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of man, and the Immortality of the soul."

At each step of our ceremonies the initiate is reminded: "And God said: let there be light." However, human beings have striven over the forces of darkness, regardless of the faint gleam of light which has appeared and disappeared, only to be recovered again, God has commanded: "Let there be Light." Without light there are no shadows, but those shadows are still extended far to the west, indicating much progress to be attained before our sun will reach its meridian height.

The first great duty of man in the world, then, is the building of a life, a life which reflects the will and plan of God, the Creator. We refer to the qualities acquired and assembled by man, whether the result be beautiful or ugly, as "character". "Character" has been defined as "habit crystalized". No one can live in isolation from his fellow men. A Robinson Crusoe may spend his days upon a secluded, desert island. He has no impact upon and is not affected by the influences of his fellows. Our world has grown increasingly more contracted. Seventy-five years ago it was a journey of weeks from Montreal to Winnipeg by the arduous modes of travel. Today on wings of wind it is a matter of hours. Events which occur on the opposite side of our planet are known to us in minutes. The spreading fingers of communication bring events to our senses daily which have a profound effect upon us, endangering our freedom, stabilizing our society, or otherwise shaping our destiny. We cannot escape the meaning of pronouncements in London, Berlin or Tokio. If our civilization is to endure man must learn and practice living together in Brotherhood under the canopy of the Fatherhood of God. Anything less is racial suicide, as the momentous events of which we are present witnesses affords an impressive example.

Much of the history of Masonry is lost in the secrecy which has enveloped the Craft, but in your country and mine we find examples which conclusively indicate that it

has ever constituted a beacon light to the footsteps of those who have gone this way before. Its moral principles are written in our Declaration of Independence. Three of the five men who framed that historic document were Freemasons. Our constitutional convention was predominately Masonic—in fact it has been said that if four or five men had been absent a Masonic Lodge could have been opened. The Ancient Charges had a profound influence in the drafting of our Bill of Rights. When the States were torn asunder by a great civil war Freemasonry remained the only institution of Brotherhood united. During the Battle of Gettysburg, three days of intense warfare, soldiers from North and South met on the level of a nearby Masonic Lodge. (Do we wonder that the first act of dictators is to exterminate Masonry from nations over which they hold sway). In the state papers of the immortal Washington is to be found the striking evidence of judgment and decisions taken from the storehouse of Masonic wisdom. In his arduous struggle for freedom from oppression his closest associates, Franklin, Hamilton, Steuben and LaFayette, and his trusted military generals were Masons. It means much to have the wisdom learned by ages of living taught us in symbols and told us in story, as it is taught us and told us in a Masonic Lodge.

All influences in this world are human influences, whether they be good or bad. God has no tongues but our tongues, no hearts to hold his compassion but our hearts, no hands to aid and succor humanity but our hands, and no feet to go on errands of mercy but our feet. How often we envision Eternity as some far away, nebulous existence and fail to comprehend that we are part of Eternity here and now, that we are the connecting link between the past and future, that only as we transmit the Truth which has thus far been revealed to us will those who come after be enabled to further ascend the flight of winding stairs leading to that inner temple. As Solomon's temple was erected in the Holy Land of the ancient Hebrews, so must we erect our temple in the Holy Land of our citizenship, in Canada your Holy Land and in the United States, my Holy Land.

As the candidate enters the Masonic Lodge a new birth, a new way of life opens its vistas to him, teaching him by

the gentleness of its art, the solemnity of its obligations, the purity of its morality and the sublimity of its revelation. A Masonic Lodge is a symbol of the world as it was thought to be in olden times. At its centre stands the altar of sacrifice, obligation and adoration. As far back as we can go the altar was the centre of human society, and an object of peculiar sanctity by virtue of that law of association by which places and things were consecrated. The position of the altar in the Lodge is a symbol of what Masonry believes the altar should be in actual life, a centre of union and fellowship. Upon that altar rests the Holy Bible, not simply a foundation rock, but also a quarry in which we find the truths that make us men. As in the old ages of geology rays of sunlight were stored up in vast beds of coal, for the uses of man, so in this old book the light of moral truth is stored to light the mind and warm the heart of man. It was not written to be a textbook in history, or science, or philosophy, and as such it should not be judged. It was written to show us what manner of God God is, and what is the way of the soul. With this, men of all faiths and of little faith may well agree. Hear the tribute of Brother Newton:

"My brethren, here is a Book whose scene is the sky and the dirt and all that lies between—a Book that has in it the arch of the heavens, the curve of the earth, the ebb and flow of the sea, sunrise and sunset, the peaks of mountains and the glint of sunlight on flowing waters, the shadow of forests on the hills, the song of birds and the colour of flowers. But its two great characters are God and the Soul, and the story of their life together is its one everlasting romance. It is the most human of books, telling the old forgotten secrets of the heart, its bitter pessimism and its death-defying hope, its pain, its passion, its sin, its sob of grief and its shout of joy—telling all, without malice, in its Grand Style which can do no wrong, while echoing the sweet-toned pathos of the pity and mercy of God. No other book is so honest with us, so mercilessly merciful, so austere and yet so tender, piercing the heart, yet healing the deep wounds of sin and sorrow."

Masonry does not seek by subtle definitions and theological hair-splitting to interpret the Bible. Brotherhood entails uniting men of all faiths. No man-made creed has ever been struck off which has not driven wedges

between sons of a common Father. We are asked only to make it a rule and guide of faith, that it become a reality in our lives for

"Slowly the Bible of the race is writ,
And not on paper leaves nor leaves of stone;
Each age, each kindred, adds a verse to it,
Texts of despair or hope, or joy or moan.
While swings the sea, while mists the mountain shroud
While thunder's surges burst on cliffs of cloud,
Still at the prophet's feet the nations sit."

The next Great Light which attracts the attention of the candidate is the Square, resting upon the Holy Bible, emblematical of a standard of conduct without which there is no stability in man or nations. It is the greatest discovery ever made in the history of architecture. Brother McBride, speaking of the early workman groping his way along the path of progress, writes:

> "Gradually, no doubt in the course of centuries of experience and through the lessons of repeated failures, he acquired a working knowledge of the Law of the Square in building. But it seems that it was only when he properly mastered the problem of forming a right angle that the day of civilization really dawned. This was the chief cornerstone in his evolution. Progress, seemingly, would have been impossible without it. Art and science alike owe almost everything to it."

Masonically it is a symbol of that moral law upon which human life must rest if it is to stand. A man may build a house in any way he likes, but if he expects it to stand and be his home, he must adjust his structure to the laws and forces that rule in the material realm. Just so unless we live in obedience to the moral laws which God has written in the order of things, our lives will fall and end in wreck. When a young man forgets the simple Law of the Square, it does not need a prophet to forsee what the result will be. It is like a problem in geometry. Masonry is not simply a ritual. It is a way of living. It offers us a plan, a method, a faith by which we may build our days and years into a character so strong and true that nothing, not ever death, can destroy it.

Finally, the candidate observed the third Great Light, but in this instance progressively. It has been said: "Of the heavenly side of Masonry the Compass is the symbol, and it is perhaps the most spiritual of our working tools." If the candidate examines with care the relative position of the Square and Compass as he advances through the degrees, he learns a parable and a prophecy of what the Compass means in the life of a Mason. There is no more practical lesson in Masonry and it behooves us to learn it and lay it to heart, the obligation which we owe to ourselves. What that obligation is needs to be made plain; it is the primary, imperative, everyday duty of circumscribing our passions and keeping our desires within due bounds. As Most Excellent King Solomon said long ago, "better is he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city."

Time does not permit a review of all of the beautiful and impressive symbols of Masonry, their history and moral interpretation. I admonish, however, that until each Master Mason has a speaking acquaintance with the history, symbolism and interpretation of things Masonic he is not a Master Mason so far as to prove himself one and to travel and work as one. It is impossible during the brief ceremonies of the three degrees to explain, teach and interpret that which has been many centuries in the building. Some one may ask why you love this flag of your Dominion and I that flag of my Republic. It is because we know the history, the trials, vicissitudes, courage, valor and intelligence which make up the pattern of the Republic under which you are privileged to live. Masonry is older than any existing government or religion. Its moral principles and teachings are as old as the human race. Until we have mastered these we are not full fledged Masons.

How many can give me the geometric result of the forty-seventh problem of Euclid, one of our very earliest symbols? Without it tunnels could not be run through the mountains, connecting city with city and making brothers of those who would otherwise remain apart; the mariner at sea could not chart his course with safety; the astronomer would be helpless is measuring heavenly bodies. Simply

stated: in any right angle triangle the sum of the squares of the two sides is equal to the square of the hypothenuse. "The forty-seventh problem of Euclid is a symbol of the magnificence, and the unknowability of Deity, while testifying to His universality, the simplicity of His truths, and the wonders of His heavens and His earth.

If you were given a twenty-four inch gauge and compass, how many of you would be able to form a perfect square? This was one of the secrets of the ancient Masters. In performing their duties the Apprentices made use of the square, sometimes of wood and at times of metal. The rough stones naturally wore the edges and caused it to become "out of true." Any slight deviation affected the perfection of the whole structure, so the workman frequently took his square to the Master for testing. The Master drew a circle with the compass; then a diameter with his gauge. Adopting any point on the circumference he drew lines to the extremities of the diameter, and the angle thus formed was a perfect right angle. From such angle he "tried the square" of the workman.

Masonry has placed particular emphasis upon the number three. Why is it a great and important symbol? W. B. Carl H. Claudy has given us a masterful explanation:

"And there is three throughout Masonry; three degrees, three principal officers, three original Grand Masters, three lesser lights, three great lights, three movable jewels, three immovable jewels, three of fifteen who traveled in a westerly direction, three raps, three gates, three circuits in circumambulation, three steps on the Master's carpet, three steps in Masonry, three pillars supporting, three, three, three! . . . The Lodge, an 'oblong square', represents the world, but the triangle always has been a representation of God; from the dawn of history the three-sided figure has been a representation of man's conception of The Most High . . . A point is nothing but an idea. That which connects two points is a line. But a line has a beginning and ending. Two lines form a cross or an angle, but always there is the sense of imperfection, of something wanting. But three lines . . . the triangle . . . is without either beginning or ending. And it is the first possible complete figure which can be constructed of straight lines. Is it not both logical and beautiful that the First Perfection which Geometry can show should have stood, and still stands, as a symbol

of Him from whom Geometry (or Masonry) come? . . . This then, is the reading of the number three throughout Masonry; it is a symbol that the Great Architect is everywhere that we can move not, work not, live not, love not, without we do so beneath His All-seeing Eye, and as workmen in His quarry."

Masonry admits the charge that it is an ancient institution. Being old, it is ever new. The Divine Plan of the Great Architect is unalterable. The worth of morality remains the same on all counters of the world. Reference has been made to the Three Great Lights, some of our working tools and symbols to remind us that greater familiarity with Masonic allegory and symbolism offers its own reward, the real wages of a Master Mason. It is the key which unlocks a vast and fascinating storehouse of education and understanding, without which Brotherhood cannot approach reality.

When I visited this Grand Lodge a year ago your librarian was lamenting the fact that so little use was being made of your Grand Lodge Library. My brethren, do you realize that the library of Masonry is one of the richest in the world, consisting of more than sixty thousand volumes? Not that it is expected that the individual Mason will spend a lifetime devoted entirely to the literature of our Craft, as many have done, but that each Master Mason will spend a few hours each year "improving himself in Masonry." Only thus will he discover the gems which have lain hidden in the archives of the Lodge and begin to discover the truth and meaning of the lost word.

As I travel about in my own Jurisdiction I find a tragic lack of Masonic knowledge, not only on the part of members, but also on the part of Lodge officers. They may be able to recite the ritual letter perfect and quote the impressive lectures, but ask them to interpret these for the edification of the newly made Master Mason and they are a total loss. I stated to the Masters and Wardens of Minnesota at the outset of my official year that I am not as much concerned with the quantity of Masons as I am with the quality of Masons. I have repeated that statement on every official visit during the last four and a half months. A candidate

affirms that he was first prepared to be made a Mason in his heart, and, secondly that he came to improve himself in Masonry. Are not Lodges, yea and Grand Lodges, derelict in their duties if they permit the candidate to be blown about as a tumble weed after affixing his name to the by-laws of the Lodge? Upon initiation the newly admitted brother has merely begun his Masonic career; he has received the working tools of our profession, but their historical, symbolical and mystical meaning he has yet to learn. If men are to love this fraternity as the mountaineer loves the majesty of his mighty peaks, as the mariner loves the tang of the sea, or the botanist the beauty and fragrance of the flower, we must never cease in "improving ourselves in Masonry" and imparting something of what we have acquired to others.

Humanity stands at the most critical crossroads of modern history, its vision dimmed from following after false gods, discouraged in heart by man's inhumanity to man, faith shaken by the treacherous breach of the duty of love, and hope lost in the abyss of personal and national selfishness, greed and sin. The Divine virtues of Friendship, Morality and Brotherly Love lie buried in a grave six feet east and west and six feet perpendicular. Misguided search for the Lost Word has brought us to blind alleys and yawning pits. We have improved the tools of the workman but has the workman himself been improved? The strength and wisdom of man have failed. Hundred mile speeds on the level have compelled us to lose our perpendicular. We have tried to make men good by law instead of by character, by repression rather than by inspiration, and it cannot be done.

What has Masonry to offer; wherein are the eternal verities; do the Ancient Landmarks still point the way? Of this we are sure: before there is more Brotherhood in Man, there must be more Manhood in the Brother. Each Mason is still a candidate in search of Masonic Light. On our first entrance into the Lodge we professed faith in God and were placed in the hands of a trusted brother. Masonry teaches us through sympathy, understanding and co-operation the fundamental truths in the making of better men and the

building of a better world. It opens wide the portals and invites men to enter and learn how to live brotherly lives in an unbrotherly world. Its Great Light reveals our duty to God; the Square defines our duty to our fellow man; and the Compass admonishes us in our duty to ourselves. About its altar let us worship; in its quarry and on its trestle board let us work; hand gripping hand and heart clasping heart let us love; with Masonic faith in the eternal realities of a beneficent God let us hope. Though the completed Temple of Brotherhood we may not enter, there cometh after workmen who will recognize our marks carved upon the stone.

M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson (102) moved a hearty vote of thanks and appreciation to M.W. Bro. Wm. P. Sturtz for his very fine address, which the brethren heartily supported by their applause.

Music, by the boys of St. Matthew's Church Choir.

REPORT OF SCRUTINEERS ON ELECTION

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Your Board of Scrutineers, appointed to conduct the Annual Election of Officers and eight members to the Board of General Purposes for a term of two years; also District Deputy Grand Masters for the First, Second, Ninth, Tenth and Twelfth Districts, make report as follows:

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND MASTER the name of Stanley H. Fahrni was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF DEPUTY GRAND MASTER the name of Ben. C. Parker was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF SENIOR GRAND WARDEN the name of Samuel Burland was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN four names were submitted in nomination, i.e.:

Harry Coddington	Arthur V. Pigott
George E. Miles	Peter P. Pilkey

The number of ballots cast was 632, all of which were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 317, and Brother Pilkey received the necessary quota.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND TREASURER the name of Alex Burgess was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY the name of J. H. G. Russell was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND CHAPLAIN the name of John L. McInnis was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND HISTORIAN the name of William Douglas was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES the name of Charles R. Sayer was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND LIBRARIAN the name of Chas. E. Somerset was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES thirteen names were submitted in nomination to serve a two year term, i.e.:

John C. Bate
H. E. Beresford
Frank W. Brownell
M. S. Donovan
Robt. E. Emmett
J. C. Grant
K. R. Kennedy
Hugh Mackenzie
G. A. McMorran
C. A. Midwinter
Geo. E. Miles
E. R. Siddall
Thos. Stockdale

The number of ballots cast was 632, of which 12 were spoiled, making a valid vote of 620. The necessary quota to elect was 69. The following brethren received the necessary quota or an equivalent to elect:

1. F. W. Brownell
2. M. S. Donovan
3. R. E. Emmett
4. J. C. Grant
5. Hugh Mackenzie
6. C. A. Midwinter
7. G. E. Miles
8. Thos. Stockdale

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

Only one name in each of the following Districts was submitted in nomination:

Third District.....James D. Harrower
Fourth District.....Walter H. Newton
Fifth District.....John T. Shanks
Sixth District.....William L. Leppert
Seventh District.....Clifford C. MacLeod
Eighth District.....Arthur Duncan

In the First Masonic District two names were submitted in nomination, i.e.:

Kenneth R. Kennedy Frank H. Baxter

The number of ballots cast was 193, of which all were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 97. Bro. Kennedy was elected.

In the Second Masonic District two names were submitted in nomination, i.e.:

Ernest A. Strain Thomas E. Squire

The number of ballots cast was 55, of which all were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 28. Bro. Strain was elected.

In the Ninth Masonic District two names were submitted in nomination, i.e.:

Alfred J. Webb Henry A. Alley

The number of ballots cast was 17, of which all were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 9. Bro. Alley was elected.

In the Tenth Masonic District four names were submitted in nomination, i.e.:

William Bird Robert M. Muckle
Jas. W. L. Lindsay Henry Wilson

The number of ballots cast was 76, of which all were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 39. Bro. Wilson was elected.

In the Twelfth Masonic District three names were submitted in nomination, i.e.:

George Florence Earo Haid
David Griffith

The number of ballots cast was 113, of which all were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 57. Bro. Florence was elected.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

WM. DOUGLAS,
Chairman.

On motion of M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), seconded by M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (4), the report of the Scrutineers was received and adopted.

APPRECIATION

Grand Lodge on motion of W. Bro. Arthur E. Johnston (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. Alex. Burgess (3), unanimously adopted the following resolution of appreciation:

"To the Shrine Chanters under the leadership of Bro. Victor Scott, for their kindness in attending the Wednesday evening Session of Grand Lodge, leading our singing and rendering several fine selections of songs to the delight and appreciation of all present."

"To the Boys of St. Matthew's Church Choir under the leadership of Bro. Fred Walker, for their delightful singing at our Thursday evening Session—before and after the Address of our Guest Speaker."

"To V.W. Bro. Joseph J. Lyon our Grand Organist, for the splendid service he rendered as song leader and accompanist."

"To the management of the Fort Garry Hotel for the provisions made for our Grand Lodge Communication and to the staff for their courtesy and help."

"To all those who assisted in making our Grand Lodge Communication the success it has proved to be."

Hymn before the Installation Ceremonies:

"O Master, let me walk with Thee".

INSTALLATION CEREMONY

The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Canon George R. Calvert called on M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (4) to assume the Gavel and install the Grand Lodge Officers.

M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (4) called on R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer (10), Grand Director of Ceremonies, to assist him.

The following Grand Lodge Officers, Elected and Appointed were duly installed in Office:

ELECTED

M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), Gladstone.....Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4), Winnipeg.....Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Sam. Burland (12), St. Vital.....Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey (25), Winnipeg.....Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Rev. J. L. McInnis (114), Winnipeg.....Grand Chaplain

The other Grand Lodge Officers were re-elected.

APPOINTED

V.W. Bro. E. J. Cresswell (11), Gladstone.....Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Adam Sandilands (146), Winnipeg.....Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. W. J. Westwood (122), Roblin.....Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. W. A. Bourns (52), Hartney.....Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. J. J. Lyon (130), Winnipeg.....Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. Francis M. Ferg (48), Glenboro.....Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. J. A. Tisdale (119), Norwood.....Grand Tyler

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1st Masonic District, R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4).....Winnipeg
2nd Masonic District, R.W. Bro. E. A. Strain (116).....Wellwood
3rd Masonic District, R.W. Bro. J. D. Harrower (67).....Wawanesa
4th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. W. H. Newton (150).....Cartwright
5th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. J. T. Shanks (15).....Pettapiece
6th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. W. L. Leppert (110).....Minto
7th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. C. C. MacLeod (107).....Griswold
8th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. W. A. Duncan (90).....Rosebank
10th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. Henry Wilson (131).....E. Kildonan
12th Masonic District, R.W. Bro. Geo. Florence (146).....Winnipeg

Most Worshipful Bro. S. H. Fahrni, Grand Master Elect, expressed his thanks to M.W. Bro. Harry Woods and the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. C. R. Sayer for the very impressive Installation Ceremony.

PRESENTATIONS

M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, retiring Grand Master is a few happy remarks presented M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, Grand Master Elect, with a Grand Master's Collar, Jewel and Apron on behalf of Grand Lodge, to which M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni made a very suitable reply in accepting the presentation.

In return, M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni presented a Past Grand Master's Jewel to M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, retiring Grand Master, on behalf of Grand Lodge, to which M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert made a very fitting reply and expressed to M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, his sincere

best wishes for a very happy and harmonious year serving Freemasonry in this Jurisdiction.

The newly installed Grand Master expressed his thanks to the brethren for the honor conferred on him, in electing him to his high office, he called on R.W. Bro. Rev. P. T. Pilkey, the new Junior Grand Warden Elect, to say a few words on behalf of himself and the other Elected Grand Lodge Officers; R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy, on behalf of the newly elected District Deputy Grand Masters, and V.W. Bro. E. J. Cresswell, on behalf of the Appointed Grand Lodge Officers.

All three brethren carried out the duties given them by the Grand Master with credit to themselves and to Grand Lodge.

M.W. Bro. George Ellis, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, and M.W. Bro. Wm. P. Sturtz, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, each extended to our Grand Master, hearty congratulations and good wishes for a happy year. Our M.W. Grand Master thanked these two Distinguished Guests for their kind and thoughtful expressions of good will.

Closing Hymn was sung:

"O God of Bethel, by Whose Hand".

CLOSING GRAND LODGE

The business of Grand Lodge having been completed, the Sixty-seventh Annual Communication was closed in Ample Form after prayer by R.W. Bro. Rev. John L. McInnis, Grand Chaplain, and singing the National Anthem.

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ANCIENT FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS
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W. H. Russell
Grand Secretary.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS
ELECTED AND APPOINTED FOR 1942-1943

Grand Master	M.W. Bro.	Stanley H. Fahrni (11)	Gladstone
Deputy Grand Master	R.W. Bro.	Ben. C. Parker (4)	Winnipeg
Senior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro.	Samuel Burland (12)	St. Vital
Junior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro.	Rev. P. T. Pilkey (25)	Winnipeg
Grand Treasurer	R.W. Bro.	Alex. Burgess (3)	Winnipeg
Grand Secretary	R.W. Bro.	J. H. G. Russell (114)	Winnipeg
Grand Chaplain	R.W. Bro.	Rev. J. L. McInnis (114)	Winnipeg
Grand Historian	M.W. Bro.	Wm. Douglas (4)	Winnipeg
G. D. of Ceremonies	R.W. Bro.	C. R. Sayer (10)	Winnipeg
Grand Librarian	R.W. Bro.	Rev. C. E. Somerset (2)	Selkirk
Senior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro.	E. J. Cresswell (11)	Gladstone
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8th Masonic District	R.W. Bro.	W. A. Duncan (90)	Rosebank
9th Masonic District	R.W. Bro.	H. A. Alley (100)	Gilbert Plains
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BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

PRESIDENT:

R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4), Deputy Grand Master.....Winnipeg

VICE-PRESDENT:

R.W. Bro. Samuel Burland (12), Senior Grand Warden.....St. Vital

BY VIRTUE OF OFFICE:

M.W. Bro. E. A. Braithwaite (10), Past Grand Master.....Edmonton
M.W. Bro. James Scroggie (10), Past Grand Master.....Vancouver
M.W. Bro. H. J. Pugh (113), Past Grand Master.....North Battleford

M.W. Bro. E. M. Walker (10), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Wm. Fenwick (113), Past Grand Master.....Brandon
M.W. Bro. H. E. Bletcher (1), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway (71), Past Grand Master.....Crystal City
M.W. Bro. Albert J. Hatcher (19), Past Grand Master.....The Pas
M.W. Bro. Geo. N. Jackson (25), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Justice W. J. Major (25). Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Jas. S. MacEwing (51), Past Grand Master.....Treherne
M.W. Bro. Albert L. Crossin (10), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Jabez Miller (25), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. William Douglas (4), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. George Hunter (10), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Norman J. Black (3), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. David S. Woods, (90), Past Grand Master.....St. Vital
M.W. Bro. James Mackie (4), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Geo. N. Weir (60 G.R.S.) Hon. P.G.M.....Victoria
M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt (130), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Harry Woods (4), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd (140), Past Grand Master.....Winnipeg
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R.W. Bro. W. H. Newton (150), D.D.G.M. 4th Masonic Dist...Cartwright
R.W. Bro. J. T. Shanks (15), D.D.G.M. 5th Masonic District..Pettapiece
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R.W. Bro. C. C. MacLeod (107), D.D.G.M. 7th Masonic District.Griswold
R.W. Bro. W. A. Duncan (90), D.D.G.M. 8th Masonic District..Rosebank
R.W. Bro. H. A. Alley (100), D.D.G.M. 9th Masonic Dist...Gilbert Plains
R.W. Bro. Henry Wilson (131), D.D.G.M. 10th Masonic Dist...Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. George Florence (146), D.D.G.M. 12th Masonic D...Winnipeg

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R.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (113).....Brandon
W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121).....St. James

R.W. Bro. Geo. E. Miles (136) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Hugh Mackenzie (140) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Tom. Stockdale (145) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. F. W. Brownell (148) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. A. H. Steventon (3) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Harvey T. Waters (25) ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70) ..... Roland
W. Bro. J. J. Bannerman (93) ..... Winnipeg
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FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

Masonry is in a healthy condition in the First Masonic District. Membership is growing and the leadership is generally good.

In most of the Lodges the work is put on well, and harmony prevails in all.

All to often, however, the work is given in such a way that one feels that the true significance of the ritual is missed. "Diffidence" is still "dividends", and the reason for receiving wages without scruple is not clear. What a pity, when even this small portion of the work indicates in general what is wrong with democracy today.

The average attendance as given on my report is taken from the year preceding and up to my official visit. These visits do not come at the same time each year, and as a consequence, the figures are not what is desired.

Probably the statistical report from the secretary should give these figures. On looking over Grand Lodge Reports of several years, you will find that attendance averages are given so poorly that they are almost meaningless.

I feel that my job was most inadequately done. First, because I had taken on too many positions, and secondly, because I think that any D.D.G.M. has a poor chance to give his best in a single year. Had I been an assistant or vice-deputy for a year, I would have had an opportunity for appraisal and planning such as is given in taking almost any other important Masonic position.

Probably this could be arranged. I think that the D.D.G.M.'s would all feel such a departure to be well worth while.

King Edward, Acacia and St. James have not as yet secured bonds for their secretaries. I have communicated with two of these and shall inform the other that according to the constitution this must be done.

The old question of waiving jurisdiction over an applicant who lives near one lodge but prefers to join another is unsolved. There is a great variance of opinion about this and a thorough discussion in each district might help any committee to revise our constitution if that be necessary.

Time after time one runs into criticism of the minimum fee for joining a lodge. In our district I found many people who knew of friends that were anxious to join but were kept out by prohibitive fees.

Within the Lodge our ritual points out the lesson "know thyself." It ever emphasizes the matchless value of human personality, and encourages brotherly love. But in most active societies today there are projects which are interesting and socially effective in doing certain things.

Having visited the Lodges and having listened to their proceedings. I have all too often come away feeling that we are not sufficiently vital, because we are not getting our brethren to think constructively about life here and now—individual and social life, undergoing rapid changes and needing concerted effort to keep any harmony there might be. Here we have a picked group of men, proud of their moral worth, but what are we doing?—and these are days for doing.

I have a feeling that every Lodge would increase in attendance, and have a greater devotion on the part of its members if at the refreshment hour, we attacked our community as a thing which should be understood. Town planning, vocational education, housing, employment, health, group work and recreation, national unity, international relations. Of such things a curriculum might be set up. Every other month the refreshment hour would be devoted to adult education, without which democracy will probably not survive. We can set up a group of the very best speakers of these meetings, but we particularly need members of the various lodges to do the work. Alternate months might be purely social.

In short, I often come away from outside committee meetings buoyed up by practical, pertinent considerations that bind me to the fellows with whom I have been working. We are members of a living, everyday society with jobs to do for our fellow man and we are thinking out explicit ways in which such a job can be done.

Merely suggesting worth-while programmes to a Lodge might lead to action along this line. Leadership could well come from above.

During the year we held eight meetings of the District Officers. On two occasions we got together all of the Masters of the constituent lodges. The Church Service for the District was held at Augustine church on March the 1st. It was well attended. W. Bro. Rev. Russell McGillivray delivered an inspiring sermon.

The main event of the year, however, was the District Meeting held in the Temple on November the 1st. Attached hereto, please find a programme.

The attendance at this meeting was as follows:

Members 1st District	163
Visitors 10th District	6
Visitors 12th District	29
Casual	12
American	29
	76
Total	239

May, I sir, on behalf of your officers of the District thank you and the Grand Lodge Officers for the many kindnesses shown us during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. V. PIGOTT,
D.D.G.M., First Masonic District.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

In submitting the account of my stewardship as your representative in the Second Masonic District it affords me much gratification to be able to report a year of progress and harmony.

On assuming office I appointed W. Bro. Clegg of Union Lodge No. 108 as District Secretary and re-appointed our esteemed Brother R.W. Bro. Wm. Cairns, of Temple Lodge No. 49, District Chaplain.

In order to take advantage of weather and other conditions to be considered in Rural districts I arranged official visits early in the year as follows:

Union Lodge No. 108, Brookdale	July 3
McCreary Lodge No. 133, McCreary	July 10
Gladstone Lodge No. 11, Gladstone	July 14
Temple Lodge No. 49, MacGregor	July 15
Neepawa Lodge No. 24, Neepawa	September 9
Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, Portage la Prairie	Sept. 15
Gothic Lodge No. 75, Austin	October 1
St. Andrews Lodge No. 116, Wellwood	October 6
Carberry Lodge No. 29, Carberry	October 28

At all these meetings I was received as befitting the incumbent of the office of District Deputy Grand Master and can report that loyalty to Grand Lodge is of undoubted sincerity, that Masonic ideals and traditions are being faithfully upheld and that Freemasonry is a real force throughout the Second Masonic District.

On my official visits and at other meetings which it has been my priviledge to attend, lodge work and ceremonies were conducted impressively and with due solemnity. In my report on Form 21 I have endeavored more fully to give particulars of work and conditions of each lodge.

A special feature this year has been the privilege of most lodges of the district to be hosts to visiting brethren from other jurisdictions who are serving in His Majesty's Forces, many of these brethren hailing from overseas. A Masonic welcome was extended to these brethren and every effort made to make them feel that they had found a home away from home.

The Annual District Meeting was held at Brookdale, October 3, 1941. The attendance was good at both afternoon and evening sessions, total registration being 86 with all lodges represented.

At the afternoon session your timely and instructive comments on the reports submitted by the Lodge Secretaries were well received and I have reason to believe have borne fruit. The discussion on "How to hold interest in the Study Club" as introduced by Bro. G. G. Grigg, of Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, showed what can be accomplished along this line when a brother is willing to devote the time and effort necessary. Assiniboine Lodge is fortunate this year in having W. Bro. Grigg in the East.

After an able address by Bro. R. A. Garland, of Carberry Lodge No. 29, followed by adjournment, all attended the banquet served by the ladies of the Brookdale Ladies' Aid in Community Hall. It was unanimously agreed that the reputation of the Brookdale ladies for providing for the inner man was well sustained. At the evening session I can assure you Most Worshipful Sir, we listened with appreciation to your eloquent address. The thoughts expressed and counsel given if applied individually would foster the will to develop those talents with which we are endowed and if practiced by all men the troubled times of today would quickly end.

Before closing the District Meeting it was also our pleasure to listen to the address of M.W. Bro. N. J. Black. His presence recalled to many of the older members pleasant memories of the year he so ably filled the office of Grand Master.

In conclusion I may say I have endeavored to perform my duties as your representative to the best of my ability and I would be remiss if I did not express my appreciation of the honor bestowed on me and of the co-operation and support of the brethren of Union Lodge No. 108 as well as the kindly reception extended to me throughout the district.

Fraternally submitted,

EDGAR A. NEWCOMB,
D.D.G.M., Second Masonic District.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I consider it an honor to submit to you my annual report, for your consideration, and I hope for your approval. I am in duty bound to admit that the Third Masonic District shows a decrease of seven members during the past year. In the year 1940-41 we had a membership of three hundred and fifty-four. For the year 1941-42 we show three hundred and forty-seven.

I wish to record that we had a Masonic service held in Belmont, Manitoba, on June 29th, 1941. This service was arranged by the retiring D.D.G. Master R.W. Brother Macdonald, and I wish to congratulate Brother Macdonald on the splendid success it was. No less than eight out of nine Lodges were represented, with a registered attendance of fifty-five.

Worshipful Brother Syms the retiring Chaplain, conducted the service in a most impressive manner. The message he delivered to his Brother Masons on that occasion left nothing to be desired, and all who attended were unanimous in their opinion that they had been well repaid for their journey. On retiring to the lodge room, Worshipful Brother Syms was tendered a hearty vote of thanks for the inspiring sermon he had delivered.

The Third Masonic District Meeting was held at Rathwell, Man., on July 29th, 1941, with all lodges being represented. The meeting opened in form at 3.15 p.m. The address of welcome was delivered by W. Brother J. L. Smith and was followed by an address by R.W. Brother Ben. C. Parker, in which he stressed the importance of getting younger men of good character interested in Masonry, to the point where they would apply for membership

in our order. This was followed by a paper prepared and presented by W. Brother Tammage, of Foxwarren Lodge and was entitled (THE WORLD'S GREATEST NEED), I must say this paper drew words of commendation from all who heard it.

The remaining portion of the afternoon session was devoted to general district business, and a school of instruction to the Lodge secretaries was conducted by R.W. Brothers Russell and Parker.

The evening session was opened at 8.30 p.m., R. W. Brother Coulter then introduced the Most Worshipful Grand Master Rev. Canon G. Calvert and Grand Lodge Officers who accompanied him.

The highlight of the evening meeting was the message from the Grand Master, who selected as his topic (THE DAY OF VISITATION), and it was agreed by all present that the Grand Master really did justice to his subject.

Most Worshipful Brothers Douglas and H. Wood also gave short talks which were well received by the brethren present.

During the evening session the Most Worshipful Grand Master presented R.W. Brother Macdonald with a P.D.D.G. Master Apron and Jewel, and in a few well chosen words thanked R.W. Brother Macdonald on behalf of the Lodges in the district for the faithful services he had rendered to them and to the Craft in general.

I have visited all Lodges in the district during the past year, and on all occasions was received with the respect and courtesy due to the office I held as your representative, and at all times a most cordial welcome and attentive hearing was accorded me.

In three Lodges I witnessed the Master Mason Degree. In three others they exemplified a degree for my benefit, while the remaining three had no degree work when I visited them.

The dates of my official visits were as follows:

Glenboro No. 48.....November 11th
Holland No. 63.....November 12th
Cypress No. 82.....November 6th
Crescent No. 103.....December 3rd
Swan Lake No. 109.....May 30th
Treherne No. 51.....November 28th
Wawanesa No. 67.....November 3rd
Rathwell No. 87.....April 28th
Strathcona No. 107.....October 28th

One gratifying thing about my visits to the various lodges was that the register recorded a good number of visitors at all meetings, and on several visits, the visitors outnumbered the local members as was the case on my last visit, with twenty-four visitors and ten local members being in attendance. This I think speaks well for good fellowship and a true Masonic spirit, which is in evidence on all fronts within the district.

I have endeavored in a humble way to translate what, in my opinion are some of the most essential things in Masonry. By presenting papers on various Masonic subjects to the different lodges I visited, I have drawn to the attention of the lodges the recommendations as set forth by the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry.

You will notice on form 20 that not one lodge in this district is observing sub-section (M) of section 132 of our Constitution. This I find is mostly due to the excessive cost of the Bond. Taking into consideration the amount of money secured by the Bond. And it seems to be the opinion of the majority who I have contacted, that a Bond is not required in their particular cases.

I wish to express my thanks to R.W. Brother J. Wilson who served as my District Secretary. I also wish to thank all the brethren from my own lodge who accompanied me on my visits. It was a great help and inspiration to have them with me.

And in conclusion, Most Worshipful Grand Master, I would like to express my thanks to you for confirming my election to this treasured office. I also wish to express my sincere thanks to the brethren of the Third Masonic District for the honor they have done me, by electing me as their Deputy. I shall never forget the many kindnesses accorded me by the many brethren throughout the district. I have not accomplished all I had planned on, but I trust that any word I have spoken, or thing I have done, will be accepted in the spirit which prompted it, and if I deliver my trust to my successor as it has been delivered to me, pure and unsullied, then I shall be satisfied.

Fraternally submitted,

E. B. LITZ,
D.D.G.M., Third Masonic District.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

A report is given here on the general conditions in the Fourth Masonic District during the year 1941.

W. Bro. Murdo Maclean was appointed District Secretary and R.W. Bro. Dr. G. H. Bray the District Chaplain. These skilled officers were very effective in their various tasks.

Official visits to Lodges were:

Mound Lodge No. 118 ..... September 25
Crystal Lodge No. 71 ..... October 14
Killarney Lodge No. 50 ..... October 20
Doric Lodge No. 36 ..... October 28
Cartwright Lodge No. 150 ..... October 30
Manitou Lodge No. 30 ..... November 4
Morden Lodge No. 13 ..... December 18

It was gratifying to find every Lodge in active condition and confronted with bright prospects. Detailed observation upon each was forwarded on Form No. 21 for your study.

A fortunate circumstance relates to Lodge Secretaries. That vitally important office is filled in each body by a keen, learned, aggressive Past Master. The Secretaries are to be credited, in large measure, with the steadily improving condition of the Craft throughout the District.

In some cases, a greater respect for the clock, as it marks the hour set on the summons for meeting, would be helpful. A prompt on-the-minute start, with on-the-target, clear-cut action during the session, and a moderately early conclusion, make for attractive meetings. The employment of music in the work of the Lodges adds charm and impressiveness.

The several Lodges are all embracing the fine opportunity to keep in personal touch with their members serving in His Majesty's Forces overseas. Greetings and material tokens are being sent to all from time to time. Messages received from these soldier brethren are distinctly stirring to the Craftsmen.

There is an encouraging tendency among the Lodges to take on new work. Small towns and rural points are mostly without possession of Canadian Clubs and Service Clubs. Particularly under such circumstances, Lodges are able to perform much benefit to their members, and to their communities, by arranging special committees, upon at least one of which every individual resident member shall act. Their work is quiet, but it does rally each

Freemason to the support of local worthy causes. Committees may be struck to deal with some, or all, of the classes—Benevolence, Library, Study, Civic Improvement, Youth Welfare, Sick and Visiting, and Membership Attendance. Work begets interest and interest is the first step towards successful accomplishment.

The Travelling Register, donated to the District by M.W. Bro. George Hunter, is resulting in much more frequent organized inter-lodge visiting. An annual review of the Lodge's Historical Register at the Election of Officers meeting in late autumn imparts a pleasing analytical note by summerfallowing fields of cherished fellowship of by-gone days. It is a satisfaction to note the leadership and industry being practised by Past District Deputy Grand Masters throughout this territory.

Killarney Lodge No. 50 celebrated its Fiftieth Anniversary Jubilee on November 4th. The Grand Master, accompanied by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas and R.W. Bro. G. E. Miles from the Grand Lodge, assisted in the happy occasion.

The Grand Lodge granted Belmont Lodge No. 13, at Morden, warrant to change its name, while retaining its number on the Registry of Grand Lodge, to Morden Lodge No. 13. The change will lessen confusion in Lodge and place names.

The chief event anticipated each year is the District Meeting. It was held in Morden, afternoon and evening, October 24th. The Grand Master, surrounded by a record number of officers and members of Grand Lodge, was enthusiastically welcomed. M.W. Bro. Canon G. R. Calvert was first a member of Manitou Lodge and later Worshipful Master of Killarney Lodge. His official visit as Grand Master was considered a triumphal home-coming in which all members took pride. Details of the meetings are written in the Minute Book of the District Secretary. The addresses were highly inspiring and deeply nourishing. The large group from South-Central Manitoba will enjoy the after-glow, mentally and spiritually, for a long time.

To the Brethren of the Fourth Masonic District, I convey sincere gratitude for election as their representative during your most excellent and progressive year of rule. It has involved a rare and enriching series of privileges. More and more clearly is Freemasonry proven to be a practical way to purposeful, wholesome life in a world of free men. All the Brethren in your most Southern District rejoice in the arousing new vitality being experienced from recent contacts with the Grand Master and his co-workers.

Fraternally submitted,

W. R. LESLIE,
D.D.G.M., Fourth Masonic District.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

As your representative in the Fifth Masonic District in the office of District Deputy Grand Master, I have the honour to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in the district.

In the performance of my duties I had the pleasure of visiting officially all of the thirteen Lodges in the district, and of making a second fraternal visit to several.

I appreciate and reciprocate the fraternal goodwill shown me on these occasions, in particular it was pleasant to meet old Masonic friends of the past thirty years, also some of those brethren who are old timers in Masonry; such as R.W. Bro. Gilbert Rowan, of Miniota Lodge, W. Bro. Wilson, of Birtle Lodge and Bro. Wieshart of Shellmouth Lodge, all over eighty years old who are still much interested in the Craft, regular in attendance at their Lodge meetings, and who have interesting stories to tell of Masonry in earlier days.

To some extent the unsettled weather, and delayed harvest operations affected attendances at the fall meetings and the District Meeting held at Strathclair, October 14th, 1941.

However about ninety Masons were present at the District Meeting at which it was a pleasure to welcome along with yourself: Most Worshipful Brother William Douglas, Most Worshipful J. J. Henderson, Right Worshipful J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary, and Right Worshipful G. E. Miles, D.D.G.M. of the Twelfth Masonic District.

Among other items of the afternoon session were reports of the activities of the lodges other than their regular work, with comment and suggestions of yours.

At the luncheon R.W. Bro. Miles, on your behalf spoke to the brethren of many things pertaining to the welfare of the order.

The evening session was addressed by all of the Grand Lodge officers present and your own address made a deep impression and was listened to with close attention.

It was my good fortune to accept the invitations of the D.D.G.M. of the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts to be present at their District Meetings held at the Masonic Temple, Winnipeg.

At the First Masonic District Meeting, on behalf of the Fifth Masonic District, you in a very nice manner made presentation of a Past District Deputy Grand Master's regalia to R.W. Bro. C. H. Bayfield, the immediate Past District Deputy for the Fifth Masonic District, who due to his duties in the Royal Canadian Mounted Police had been unable to be present at the District Meeting at Strathclair, to receive the regalia there.

At all meetings I was extended the privilege of addressing the brethren, and at this time of World War have endeavored to give my impression of the duties expected of Masons in this crisis.

I also stressed the advantage of using the Grand Lodge Library and am glad to report that several lodges now have some brother receiving a number of books from the Library for distribution and record of their users in the lodge.

Have found that in each lodge, there are members taking an active interest in Community Work on Councils, School Boards, Red Cross and Patriotic Committees, and note that many of the lodges have made contributions to the Red Cross and other war services from the funds of the lodge as well as personal donations.

Lodges in this District have had few candidates in the past ten years but I am glad that at the present time more than half of the lodges have candidates and degree work, and such degree work that I have witnessed has been well done and shown careful preparation.

I wish to extend my appreciation to the Masters and Secretaries in their good efforts to keep up to date Historical Registers, their books and records of the lodge, and their help to myself in preparing my reports to Grand Lodge. To R.W. Bro. J. R. Stalker for his work as the District Secretary, and to W. Bro. H. W. Clark, in filling the duties of the District Chaplain.

To the brethren of Strathclair Lodge I wish to give my thanks, in first proposing me for this office, to their generous help in the arrangements for the District Meeting, and to those brethren who have accompanied me on all my visits in the district, and to my old friend M.W. Bro. J. J. Henderson for his kindly advice when requested and his presence and support at some of my meetings.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the brethren of the Fifth Masonic District for the honor conferred on myself, as their District Deputy Grand Master, it has been a great experience to meet brethren of broad mind and vision, and while I have not accomplished all I had hoped to do for the District I do not feel that with the expiry of my term in office that my obligations are ended, in-

deed I feel that in the future I have many duties and obligations to fulfill to this Masonic District, to my Community, to Canada and the Empire, to the best of my ability.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. V. HENDERSON,
D.D.G.M., Fifth Masonic District.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit, for your consideration and approval, my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Sixth Masonic District for 1941-42.

It is indeed a pleasure to report that all the lodges in the District appear to be in an active condition, and that a high state of fraternal spirit exists. Many of the lodges take a particular interest in the general comfort of their lodge rooms and this, I feel sure, has been an important factor in the success that has been enjoyed.

Two lodges in the District now have clear titles to their buildings. On October 16th, I had the pleasure of attending Reston Lodge No. 104 when R.W. Bro. Frank Manning, the first Master, officiated at the burning of the mortgage on one of the finest Masonic buildings in this grand jurisdiction. In December, Glenwood Lodge No. 27—my own lodge—purchased the fine two storey brick block which the lodge has occupied as tenants for the past four years. The enthusiastic response of members in taking up non-profit shares, was, to me, splendid evidence of their warm appreciation of Freemasonry. As a member of a committee entrusted with the work of organization I may say that it was one of my happiest Masonic experiences.

The Annual Distrct Meeting was held in Souris on Tuesday afternoon and evening, October 9th, with a record attendance of 170. All lodges in the district were represented.

Excellent reports were presented by the secretaries of the various lodges of the district, and the questions asked of each, by you, Most Worshipful Sir, brought out a great deal of interesting information of value to the constituent lodges. A school of instruction, under the direction of the Grand Secretary and R.W.

Bro. Ben. C. Parker, was also most interesting. Another feature of the afternoon programme was the address by R.W. Bro. T. R. Falconer, of Deloraine, on "The Practical Application of Charity."

At six o'clock the usual district banquet was served in the Community Hall by the ladies of Souris Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. The address of welcome was given by W. Bro. J. B. Mitchell, Junior. The toast to Grand Lodge was proposed by R.W. Bro. W. R. Cosgrove, of Napinka, and replied to by M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert. R.W. Bro. Geo. Miles, of the Twelfth Masonic District, responded to the toast to the visitors, which was proposed by R.W. Bro. A. K. Cates, of Reston. A vote of thanks to the ladies was proposed by W. Bro. S. H. Forrest, of Glenwood. Mrs. D. H. Ferguson replied.

At the evening session the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. George R. Calvert, was introduced by R.W. Bro. Chas. Redpath, of Glenwood, and welcomed with Grand Honors. The Grand Master gave an eloquent and forceful address on the need for a definite faith on the part of all Freemasons, urging that the Volume of the Sacred Law be our guide, and that our daily lives conform to the ideals of the Craft in order that Masonic influence might be a power in aiding the re-organization of democratic peoples after the war.

A feature of the evening was the presentation of a Fifty-year Jewel to W. Bro. J. W. Breaky, of Glenwood Lodge, by the Grand Master. R.W. Bro. A. E. Draper was also presented with a P.D.D.G.M.'s Apron by R.W. Bro. W. H. Hicks on behalf of the brethren of the district.

Interesting and instructive addresses were also given by R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker, R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, M.W. Bro. J. C. Walker-Reid (since deceased) and others.

During my term as your representative I made the following visits:

August 12—Unofficial visit to Elgin Lodge No. 86.

October 2—Official visit to Napinka Lodge No. 77.

October 9—Presided at the Annual District Meeting of the Sixth Masonic District in Souris, and at the District Banquet.

October 13—Official visit to Kilwinning Lodge No. 110 at Minto.

October 15—Attended the Annual Meeting and Banquet of the Seventh Masonic District in Brandon.

October 16—Visited Reston Lodge No. 104 to witness the burning of the mortgage on the Reston Masonic Hall. This was a memorable evening with a large attendance of brethren from throughout the District.

October 20—Official visit to Oriental Lodge No. 54 at Melita. Had the pleasure of having M.W. Bro. W. Reynolds, Past Grand Master of North Dakota, received with me with the usual Grand Honors.

November 2—Officiated at the meeting of the Sixth Masonic District in Glenwood Lodge Rooms in Souris, and attended the Second Annual District Church Service in the United Church, conducted by R.W. Bro. Dr. J. R. Evans, of Brandon.

November 11—Official visit to Elgin Lodge No. 86.

November 13—Official visit to Reston Lodge No. 104.

November 28—Official visit to Glenwood Lodge No. 27.

December 29—Installed the officers of Glenwood Lodge with the assistance of R.W. Bro. H. A. Croll and R.W. Bro. W. H. Hicks.

January 16, 1942—Attended the funeral of the late M.W. Bro. J. C. Walker-Reid, Past Grand Master of this Grand Jurisdiction, at Elgin, at the request of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master. This was a sad occasion for the brethren of the Sixth Masonic District, members from almost all the lodges in the District, and from the Fourth and Seventh Districts, being present to pay their last respects. R.W. Bro. H. J. Barker was among those present from the Seventh District.

February 2—Official visit to Hartney Lodge No. 52.

February 12—Visited Reston Lodge No. 104, after presenting privately a Fifty-year Jewel to R.W. Bro. George F. Birnie, on behalf of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master. Reston Lodge had planned to have the presentation during the lodge meeting, but unfortunately this was found to be impossible owing to Bro. Birnie's ill-health. At his request the presentation was made at his rooms.

February 21—Attended the Annual District Meeting of the Twelfth Masonic District in Winnipeg on the invitation of R.W. Bro. Geo. Miles.

March 16—Visited Oriental Lodge No. 54 at Melita, and on behalf of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, presented a Fifty-year Jewel to R.W. Bro. Matthew P. Floyd. On this occasion I had the pleasure of presiding in Oriental Lodge at the request of W. Bro. S. G. Kennedy. R.W. Bro. Floyd was introduced and received with Grand Honors.

March 18—Official visit to Deloraine Lodge No. 40.

On all of my visits I was received with the courtesy and respect due your representative. To me the year has been one of exceptional pleasure, and I will always gratefully recall the many acts of kindness and co-operation shown me by officers and members at all times. In my addresses I endeavored to emphasize the urgent need for a better presentation and understanding of our

degree ceremonies, the value of regular study club periods, and a recognition of the fact that Freemasonry is essentially an educational fraternity.

A very creditable feature of the work of the District is the activity of its Study Clubs. I feel that because of the continuity of this work in the past ten years, the members have gained a better conception of the real meaning of Freemasonry, and, as a result, have a growing interest in the Craft.

Another feature of the year, of which I wish to make special mention, was the splendid reception given by the District to the broadcast, on January 11th, of the Twelfth Masonic District Church Service from St. Matthew's Church, Winnipeg. Five of the eight lodges answered the letters of the district secretary, W. Bro. Jas. Clark, and asked for the service programmes, so kindly and generously provided by the Twelfth District. From all of these lodges have come words of praise for the excellent address given by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master on that occasion.

To the brethren of the Sixth Masonic District I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the honor accorded me in electing me District Deputy Grand Master; and to you, Most Worshipful Sir, for concurring in their selection.

I cannot conclude this report without expressing to the brethren of my own Lodge, Glenwood No. 27, my heartfelt thanks for their willing assistance throughout the year. Particularly do I wish to mention the loyal and untiring support given me by W. Bro. D. H. Ferguson and W. Bro. Wm. Coltman, who accompanied me on many occasions.

To W. Bro. James Clarke, District Secreary, I owe a debt of gratitude for his loyal assistance and counsel during my year of office.

Fraternally submitted,

G. A. McMORRAN,
D.D.G.M., Sixth Masonic District.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I beg to submit my report as your representative in Seventh Masonic District for years 1941-1942.

I visited each Lodge officially as follows:

Lebanon No. 43, Virden.....September 2nd
Elkhorn No. 74, Elkhorn.....September 29th
Lansdowne No. 107, Griswold.....October 1st
Oak Lake No. 44, Oak Lake.....October 23rd

Composite No. 64. Alexander.....October 30th
Brandon No. 19, Brandon.....November 11th
Tweed No. 113, Brandon.....November 18th

Owing to bad weather in the fall and so many Lodges meeting so close together, I found some difficulty in getting my official visits in before winter set in. I am pleased to say now that the Lodges of the District have arranged among themselves so that no two Lodges meet on the same night and my successor will find a big improvement in this regard.

I am sorry to say I did not see any Degree Work on my visits, only at Brandon No. 19, when they put on the E A. Degree. Brandon No. 19 am pleased to say, are getting some new members. Tweed No. 113 and Lebanon No. 43 are doing very good. Composite, Lansdowne, Oak Lake and Elkhorn seem to be at a standstill so far as obtaining new candidates.

We had a splendid District Meeting in Brandon on October 15th and were very fortunate in having with us the M.W. Grand Master, also Wm. Douglas, P.G.M., H. Woods, P.G.M., G. E. Miles, D.D.G.M. Twelfth Masonic District, J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary and several other G.L. Officers. The address by the M.W. Grand Master, was very much appreciated.

Visits outside of District No. 7. I attended the District Meeting at Souris, attended the funeral of the late Most Worshipful Bro. J. C. Walker-Reid, at Elgin, and Hamiota Lodge at Hamiota.

As D.D.G.M. of the Seventh Masonic District, I wish to convey my congratulations to Brandon Lodge No. 19 on attaining their 60th Anniversary on May 8th, which was attended by the M.W. Grand Master and several Grand Lodge Officers and about 125 members and visitors from the Seventh Masonic District and Sister Jurisdictions.

I would like to convey to Rt. W. Bro. Shuker my sincere thanks for the work he did as District Secretary during my term of office, also to W. Bro. P. Haywood, as District Chaplain. Am sorry that Rt. W. Bro. Shuker had to give up his office before the Grand Lodge Session.

At this time I wish to thank the members of the Seventh Masonic District for electing me to the office of D.D.G.M. of the Seventh Masonic District, an office I never expected to fill, but I certainly appreciated the honor to represent the M.W. Grand Master, Bro. Calvert, in this District. I have tried to do my work to the best of my ability and trust that I may be of service again to the District.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Fraternally yours,

H. J. BARTER,
D.D.G.M., Seventh Masonic District.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is my honor as District Deputy Grand Master, to submit to you, Most Worshipful Sir, a report on the work and activities of the Eighth Masonic District.

First, may I be permitted to express to you my thanks and appreciation for the honor and privilege of serving as your representative during the past year.

Soon after my installation last June, V. Wor. Bro. J. C. Reece was appointed District Secretary and W. Bro. H. B. Wallace, Emerson No. 6, District Chaplain, Rt. Wor. Bro. R. McKenzie, Shiloh No. 70, carrying on as District Treasurer.

My first visit as D.D.G.M. of the Eighth Masonic District was made to Sprague Lodge No. 132 on the occasion of the official visit of the M.W. Grand Master and other Grand Lodge officers on the 13th of August, 1941.

The first meeting of importance in the District was the District Meeting held at Emerson on September 9th, 1941.

The following Grand Lodge officers were present:

Geo. R. Calvert.....Grand Master
B. C. Parker.....S. G. Warden
S. Burland.....J. G. Warden
A. Burgess.....Grand Treasurer
J. H. G. Russell.....Grand Secretary
C. R. Sayer.....Grand Director of Ceremonies
P. T. Pilkey.....Grand Chaplain
W. Douglas.....P. Grand Master
H. Wood.....P. Grand Master
W. D. Lawrence.....P. Grand Master
H. Gill.....P. Grand Master, North Dakota

Total attendance was 71 made up as follows:

District No. 8, members 56, visitors 15, representing 10 different lodges.

Owing to road and weather conditions the attendance was not as large as had been expected, but all the lodges, with one exception, were represented.

The afternoon meeting was opened at 3 p.m. with an address of welcome to members and visitors by R.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald, P.D.D.G.M. Shiloh No. 70.

The meeting was one of an informal nature, being taken up by reports given by the various lodge representatives on their lodge activities during the past year, and summing up in a general way, their prospects for the coming year.

The meeting adjourned at 5 p.m. and at 6 p.m. members and visitors enjoyed a splendid banquet provided by the ladies of the Emerson United church.

At the evening meeting R.W. Bro. A. Argue, East Star No. 55, introduced the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers.

The Grand Master then addressed the meeting in a most inspiring address on Masonry and its place in the world today.

Following the Grand Master's address M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence then presented R.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald with a P.D.D.G.M. Apron. Bro. McDonald thanked the members of the district for their support.

R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Grand Secretary, then gave a report on the war effort fund and its disbursements.

M.W. Bro. H. W. Gill, P.G.M. North Dakota, brought fraternal greetings from the U.S.A. brothers.

R.W. Bro. P. Pilkey conducted a reconsecration service and meeting was closed in harmony.

During the year, each lodge in the district was visited at least once and the majority of them two or three times, on all of these visits, whether official or unofficial, myself and the brethren of Emerson Lodge who accompanied me were cordially received and warmly welcomed.

The lodges in the district were visited officially as follows:

Emerson Lodge No. 6.....March 19th, 1942
King Solomon Lodge No. 8.....December 9th, 1941
East Star Lodge No. 55.....November 6th, 1941
Shiloh Lodge No. 70.....October 9th, 1941
Midlothian Lodge No. 90.....October 20th, 1941
Penza Lodge No. 120.....November 25th, 1941
Patricia Lodge No. 125.....October 1st, 1941
Carman Lodge No. 155.....September 16th, 1941

Throughout the district, the lodges are maintaining a high standard of efficiency.

The officers are well skilled, earnest and conscientious in their work and in all cases are ably assisted by the Past Masters who are always willing to give liberally of their time and the benefit of their experience.

It is regretted that only on two official visits was the conferring of degrees witnessed, these were at Emerson No. 6 and Midlothian No. 90, but in all the lodges throughout the district, the opening and closing ceremonies were well performed.

The closing of several lodges during July and August, and some in September prevents any inter-lodge visiting until October and later.

The unfavorable weather which prevailed at that period last year caused several inter-lodge visits to be cancelled, owing to bad roads, but all official visits were completed as arranged and the district has upheld its good record for visiting and by so doing, has promoted a feeling of good fellowship and the members have made many new friends.

During my term of office, visits have been made to Pembina, North Dakota, and Hallock, Minnesota, on each occasion I was accompanied by several brethren from Emerson Lodge.

It was a very pleasant experience to visit Strathclair Lodge No. 106 on the 28th anniversary of my initiation in that lodge and to meet several old friends and brethren.

At this time I wish to express my gratitude to all who gave me their valuable advice and assistance, particularly V.W. Bro. Reece, District Secretary, who at all times so willingly carried out the duties of his office, R.W. Bro. N. McDougall who accompanied me on all my visits, R.W. Bro. W. D. Harper, R.W. Bro. A. Badger and W. Bro. O. Malmgren for their support and assistance.

In closing kindly permit me to again express my thanks for the great honor you have conferred on me.

My association with the Grand Lodge Officers and with the Craft throughout the district for the past year will remain an unforgetable memory of the pleasant evenings and new friends, and to the brethren who made this possible I feel most grateful and appreciative.

Fraternally submitted,

J. D. LLOYD,
D.D.G.M., Eighth Masonic District.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor of presenting to you a report of my stewardship as District Deputy Grand Master of the Ninth Masonic District.

During my term of office I have visited officially, each Lodge in my District. On each occasion I was received with dignity and respect and was also accorded the honors due the office of District Deputy Grand Master.

As stressed by Grand Lodge as to the duties of this office I made special request to each lodge that on my official visit a degree be conferred or exemplified, and with the exception of one Lodge this was complied with. I wish to report that the work was done quite well, showing that the officers had given time and study to the welfare of their lodge. In particular I might mention Victory Lodge No. 128, where I witnessed the third degree conferred by R.W. Bro. Hawe, who in his eighty-first year was especially capable and impressive in his work, and should be an inspiration to all younger brethren.

In making each official visit I stressed the fact that the meeting was their meeting, and that my presence was more particularly to report on their work and the condition of the Lodge, possibly make such suggestions as might apply.

This I feel is important, and creates an urge to improve and become more efficient.

In the past year I have pleasure in reporting an increase in membership in all lodges, and that the greater number are young Brethren, which at this particular time is most gratifying.

I would say that harmony and a real fraternal spirit prevails throughout the District, as noticed by a great amount of interlodge visiting.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the many Brethren of different lodges, who have so ably supported and accompanied me on each visit, official or otherwise, and in particular to the District Secretary, W. Bro. J. D. Houston, for his help at all times.

In accepting this office I had many misgivings as to my ability to fulfill in a small way the duties attached thereto, I realize the high honor conferred on me and in all sincerity wish to express my thanks for the honor conferred, and a pleasant year in which I have learnt much more than I have taught, and in some small way that I have been of some service, in the way of some duty performed.

Fraternally submitted,

W. J. BROWN,
D.D.G.M., Ninth Masonic District.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honour to submit to you my report on the condition of Freemasonry in the Tenth Masonic District during the past year.

The District Meeting was held at Beausejour on Wednesday the 3rd September, 1941. The meeting was opened at 8.30 p.m. and the M.W. the Grand Master and suite were introduced by W. Bro. William Craik, of Ophir Lodge, after which they were accorded the Grand Honors. The Grand Master and R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green gave very inspiring addresses which I am sure will not be forgotten by those fortunate enough to have heard same. During the evening R.W. Bro. F. W. Brownell was presented with the regalia of a D.D.G.M. as a token of appreciation of the work done by him in the interest of Freemasonry in the Tenth Masonic District.

The meeting then adjourned and repaired to the Beausejour Hotel, where a repast was held and a splendid programme enjoyed.

In company with R.W. Bro. L. L. Taylor who so kindly consented to act as my secretary, I visited every lodge in this district officially. Visits as follows:

Manitouwapa No. 156	September 17th, 1941
Ophir No. 112	February 6th, 1942
Lisgar No. 2	February 17th, 1942
Transcona No. 123	March 6th, 1942
Stonewall No. 12	March 17th, 1942
Stony Mountain No. 134	April 1st, 1942
Pine Falls No. 154	April 10th, 1942
Kildonan No. 131	April 14th, 1942
The Dormer No. 151	May 5th, 1942
Seven Oaks No. 148	May 8th, 1942

In every lodge, the District Deputy was received with the honor and courtesy befitting the representative of the Most Worshipful Grand Master; and I am pleased to report that Masonry in the Tenth Masonic District is in a healthy condition.

In most of the lodges, I witnessed degrees conferred in a manner that would not fail to make a lasting impression on the candidates as well as on the members present. The solemnity of the occasion and the evident desire on the part of the various Masters and Officers to impress the lessons taught in the degrees deeply upon the minds of the candidates, rather than a mere display of ritual and floor work, is highly commendable and should be the objective of the officers at all times.

I could not help being impressed by the evident care displayed by the lodges in the selection of the different officers throughout the district, and I wish to assure you. Most Worshipful Grand Master, that the lodges are in the hands of men of high ideals, well skilled in the Craft and determined to make Masonry of real benefit to their fellows and mankind. The same care is evident in the selection of new members shown by the class of men presenting themselves for initation, also the thorough manner in which they are instructed and the very creditable examinations they pass before they can be advanced, show that the instructors are taking a real interest in the work of the Craft, and augurs well for the future of the several lodges.

The books and records of the lodges have been examined and found to be well kept. I would like to point out that a thorough examination is not always possible by your D.D.G.M. In some cases the Historical Record is entirely neglected which fact I believe has been drawn to the attention of these lodges by my predecessors as well as by myself. I have had the promise that this will be attended to immediately.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the Brethren of the Tenth Mason District for the honor conferred upon me, and upon the Lodge of which I am privileged to be a member, in electing me to this important office. May I also thank the different Past Masters of Ophir Lodge, and especially R.W. Bro. L. L. Taylor, District Secretary who at all times helped and supported me and accompanied me during my many visitations.

I wish to apologize to the Brethren of the Tenth Masonic District for the seeming inattention given them during my term of office, and would like you to believe that had it not been for being moved to Portage la Prairie, I would have been in a position to render better service. I might also state that this transfer caused me to travel 1,973 miles visiting the different lodges in this district.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN R. WATSON,
D.D.G.M., Tenth Masonic District.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It would seem almost unnecessary to report to you the happenings of my year of service as your Deputy in this District, as you have been in such close personal touch with all our doings.

However, due, in great part, to your leadership and the initiative shown by the combined Committees of Condition of Freemasonry and Research and Education, I can assure you that Freemasonry in this District is in a very live and virile condition.

Every Lodge without exception is vigorously growing, Masonically and numerically—its officers for the most part are very young, keen men, all are ambitious for the betterment of their Lodges and the Craft, but they have their feet solidly on the ground and although many changes and improvements are discussed by them, each change is thoroughly explored before it is advanced beyond their own meetings.

Two of our Lodges are making an experimental Gallup poll of every one of their members to ascertain the desires and improvements that can be made to further stimulate maximum interest in our Lodges; the results so far more than reward the effort and the other Lodges will now undertake a similar survey and it is more than probable that this effort will result in an outstanding advancement of our strength Masonically and numerically.

Looking back over the year it has been a great year, it has been a year of privilege and reward and indications are that my successor will also experience a great year of Masonic advancement

There have been so many Masonic Highlights that cataloguing them seems beyond the reasonable length of this report. However here are a few:

January 11: We attended Divine Service at St. Matthew's Church, a token force of about 400 odd were present and, thanks to the efforts of R.W. Bro. McMorrin of Souris and the other D.D.G.M.'s radio services were organized and held in the Lodge rooms of many of our out of this City Lodges—we tried and we believe we succeeded in letting those outside of our fraternity know that "As for me and my House we will serve the Lord". I strongly urge every successor of mine in this District to to duplicate and exceed our effort.

February 21st was our District Meeting, so many D.D.G.M.'s and Masters attended from our Sister Districts, that we had a miniature Grand Lodge, many ideas, resolutions and recommendations came from our brethren. They were discussed, many will have fruit soon. This meeting may have departed from the form of previous Twelfth District Meetings, but it was planned by our Sitting Masters to depart from previous form and we believe it contributed to this very noticeable Masonic growth we are now enjoying.

The various Lodges have all seemed to enter into a friendly competition to outdo each other in special meetings and although they have gone under various names such as Military Nights, International Nights, etc., still I can assure you each has been a Masonic Night, Visitation between Lodges has appeared to me as almost excessive but the results have proved they are not overdone and the large number of P.M. Jewels on display at these inter Lodge visitations is a fine sight of encouragement.

The social life of our Lodges seems, this past winter, to have made a splendid increase and now that we have the use of the Temple refreshment rooms for this purpose, I can see this very important phase of our fraternal life increasing.

One aspect of our progress that is particularly pleasing is that there are a large number of the younger men coming to us as initiates—our average age level was getting too high, this past year this has been improved.

There is no need to speak of the excellent manner in which our degree work is carried on, all our Lodges are in friendly rivalry to exceed the perfection of each other.

There are many encouraging things to speak of but you have spent so much time among us this winter that you know all these things and that everything is well in District Twelve.

Might I, in closing, however, mention my great indebtedness to every 1941 Master of our Lodges and almost in the same degree to our 1942 Masters. I always hoped they would get tired of their kindly services to me and stay away from accompanying me on some of my visits so that I might use the same material for my addresses to the Lodges but each visitation practically called for a new address as several of them made 100% attendance at every official visitation, also my very sincere thanks are due to W. Bro. R. Kirk, District Chaplain, also W. Bro. J. C. Downie, our Treasurer, and W. Bro. E. Haid our Secretary.

It is no idle formality to thank my brethren of the District for my election to this opportunity of service, and to yourself for concurring in that election.

Yours fraternally,

GEO. E. MILES,
D.D.G.M., Twelfth Masonic District

SPECIAL DISTRICT OF THE M.W. THE GRAND MASTER

On Wednesday, August 13th, I visited Sprague Lodge No. 132, accompanied by the Junior Grand Warden and the Grand Secretary. This Lodge is so situated that it is difficult to maintain close fraternal relationships with other lodges in our Jurisdiction. The road connecting Sprague with the main highway No. 14 is not all gravelled and I can imagine that in some weathers it would be quite impassible. There are not very many members in this Lodge—the report shows 27— and of these 17 are non-resident; but the ten who live in the community are very interested and a very fine meeting was held. There were visitors from Emerson Lodge and fine representations from Warroad and Roseau Lodges. There seems to be a very good spirit between the members of these two American Lodges and the members of Sprague Lodge, but, whereas, it is an easy matter for Americans to visit Canada it's a more difficult thing for Canadians to return the compliment. Sprague Lodge is one of the border lodges that should be helped, in order that this fine spirit of friendship between our American brethren and ourselves may be fostered and strengthened. I have nothing but praise for the men who carry on so well in the midst of so many handicaps. I only wish that there was some way in which this Lodge could receive more inspiration and encouragement from the Craft as a whole.

I visited Flin Flon Lodge No. 153 on Tuesday, August 26th, accompanied by M.W. Brothers Wm. Douglas and Harry Woods, R.W. Bro. George E. Miles, V.W. Bro. A. B. Fee and the Grand Secretary. We were royally received and entertained. This Lodge is in very capable hands and Freemasonry in this "New North" is flourishing. We partook of the hospitality for which the people north of 53 are famous. The following day we visited The Pas Lodge No. 124, and here M.W. Bro. Albert Hatcher joined us. Once again we were royally entertained, and the conduct of the meeting was very fine. Both of these northern lodges are making splendid progress.

With regard to these three lodges that are under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Master—it should be brought to the attention of all members of the Craft that if they ever visit in these three communities they should endeavor to attend these lodges. because anything that we can do to help the outlying lodges realize that they are a vital part of the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction is of the utmost importance.

GEORGE R. CALVERT.

LUNCHEON

Luncheon was given the members of Grand Lodge and our Distinguished Guests at the Fort Garry Hotel at 12:30 noon by the Masons of the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts, under the auspices of the Past Masters' Association of Winnipeg, V.W. Bro. S. C. Taylor (119) presided.

TOASTS (Drunk in silence)

"The King"—Mr. A. W. Klieforth, United States Consul General.

"The President of the United States"—Hon. R. F. McWilliams, Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba.

MUSIC.

The Chairman gave a very hearty welcome to all present including our Guest Speaker, Hon. John Moses, Governor of the State of North Dakota, and the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota. He called on M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, P.G.M., to introduce the Guest Speaker.

ADDRESS BY M.W. BRO. JOHN MOSES, GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH DAKOTA
June 4th, 1942

Brother President, Brother Lawrence, Your Honour, Mr. Klieforth, Most Worshipful Grand Master, and Brethren:

I am afraid that my good friend Brother Lawrence has given me credit for some things that I am not entitled to credit for with reference to political affairs in North Dakota.

We have endeavored in our state to hold high the principles of Masonry, although, during my term as Grand Master, now rapidly drawing to a close, it has not been given

to me to exercise that close and daily contact with Masonry in our Grand Jurisdiction which, in other years, under other conditions and other circumstances, I should have wanted to.

Now, Brethren, be assured that it is a tremendous pleasure for us to come to your Grand Lodge and to bring to you brethren in Manitoba a greeting from your 10,700 brethren south of the imaginary line—that line which separates us only as a matter of convenience, or as a matter of inconvenience, if you will; that little line which has never succeeded in separating the Masons of Manitoba from their Masonic brethren in North Dakota, and which has never succeeded in separating the great host of your citizens from the great host of citizens of America.

The North Dakota Grand Lodge celebrates its fifty-third anniversary this year, and the history of the Territorial Grand Lodge, combined with the history of the North Dakota Grand Lodge, runs almost concurrently with yours. The first lodge established in what is now North Dakota was the military lodge at old Fort Pembina, the lodge which moved later to Fort Garry and, I presume, laid the foundation for Masonry in Manitoba.

Through these years our brethren have looked to the North for inspiration in Masonic work and we have never found the North a "place of darkness". We have received much wholesome inspiration from Masonry in your province. It has come to us largely through the visitors from your Grand Jurisdiction, whom it has been our pleasure to welcome on frequent occasions. The finest fellowship has been experienced during all these years. Consequently, it is a great pleasure for us to come to you here and to renew these Masonic ties, as it will be a great pleasure for every Mason in my Grand Jurisdiction, and their Grand Master, to greet your representatives at our coming Grand Lodge session in Fargo, June 16th and 17th.

We have everything in common, and the only things that appear to separate us are the small things, the little things, the insignificant things. Our Masonry has its roots

where your Masonry had its early beginnings. We hail back as you do, to the formation of the Grand Lodge of England in 1717, when four of the speculative lodges in London met for the purpose of becoming a more compact organization of the Masonic fraternity. We go back with you to the early beginnings of Masonry, back through the medieval guilds. We go back with you, and we claim with you, a share in the first great written record of Masonic teachings and precepts—the Regies poem. All of these traditions are ours as they are yours, because they belong to Masonry universal.

Throughout the life of my country Masonry has played a most important part. It is a matter of no small significance that more than half of those who considered and signed the Declaration of Independence on a July day in 1776 were members of our brotherhood, and it is more than significant that of those who signed the Constitution of the United States—the men chosen as the representatives of the various states—more than half were members of the Masonic fraternity. It is also a matter of real significance that George Washington, the first President of the United States of America, the man whom we all revere, whose memory we love, and whose example and precepts we endeavor to follow, was not only a Mason, but the Master of his Lodge. Through all these years we have been led to believe, and we do believe, that the principles of Masonry and the principles of democracy are synonomous.

We are proud of the splendid Masonic tradition of our country. We are proud of the part Masons have had in guiding the destinies of our country; the part they have had in upholding the fundamental principles of free government, by free men, for free men. But now, my brethren, we have come to the day when we cannot rest upon tradition. We have come to the day when we cannot, as Masons, any more than we can as men, rest on our oars and point with pride and complacency to the splendid record of our forefathers. This is our day and the problems which face us are very definitely our problems. These problems constitute a challenge to the highest and finest traditions of Masonry; a

challenge to the deepest and most genuine convictions respecting true Masonry that are within the heart of every Mason. In everything we do, in everything we contemplate, as we meet here in Grand Communication, as we shall gather in my state two weeks hence, may we have constantly before us that challenge.

We are happy to note the upswing in Masonic interest and sincerity, as evidenced by the fine attendance at this Grand Communication. We are here, thank God, as free men, to decide as free men, what we are going to do; to consider the efforts we desire to foster and sponsor; to determine upon the things that are conducive to the progress of Masonry. Above all, we are firmly determined that Masonry cannot and must not become static; that Masonry, if it is going to be worthy of the challenge before it today, must do much more than it has done in the recent past.

You men who are here representing every community in your great province, are present not only as the leaders in your respective constituent lodges, but you are here as sponsors of many other good things in your home communities. You have not been elected by your brethren to the high and responsible position of Worshipful Master of your lodge without enjoying the confidence of others in the community. You occupy in your community, as do the Masters and Wardens in our Grand Jurisdiction, a position of leadership, and you have within your keeping a position amounting almost to a public trust. It is a great opportunity and a great responsibility, and I not only hope, my brethren, but with all my heart I fervently pray, that Masons and Masonry may never be found wanting.

There are some things that cause me a great deal of concern, and of these things I want to speak briefly. I know that your Grand Lodge session is to re-convene at 2:30 o'clock and I shall not take up more of your time than is absolutely necessary to outline briefly some of these matters.

We have, during recent months, been in the habit of reading into newspaper headlines a great deal more than

the stark and naked truth warrants, with the result that we have developed—in my country at least—a state or feeling of optimism; a feeling that amounts to one of carelessness in our attitude toward this war in which we are engaged. Through the winter months we have read the attractive headlines about the killing of many Nazis, the capture of so many hundreds of tanks, the surrounding of this, that or the other strategic point; the splendid and heroic fight which our allies have been putting up.

Who has not noted the headlines about the unrest of the Italian people, how unhappy they are, how they are completely subjugated to the military machine of Mr. A. Hitler, and how Mussolini is tottering on his self-erected throne? Who has not read the headlines about the shooting of Germans at Munich, in Hamburg, in Mannheim, of the uprisings of the subjugated people, the wrecking of troop trains, the mass murders of hostages in France, in Belgium, in Holland and the other countries that are unhappily under the heel of the German military machine, all indicating a state of revolt favorable to the allies. We have read about the underground insurgents, the heroic resistance of the Chinese and the terrible food shortages in Germany.

I grant you that it is all very pleasant reading, but it tells only one side of the story. We have followed the hit-and-run type of news analysis, looking for the things we like to read, to the exclusion of the cold facts. We have read headlines until we have become lop-sided in our thinking.

A man said to me not long ago: "Governor, I think you are overly pessimistic in your views. Personally I am satisfied with the way things are going. Fifty thousand planes were manufactured in our country this year and the assembly lines are rolling out more tanks, tractors, guns and other war material than we can possibly find shipping bottoms for. We are building a ship a day and soldiers are pouring into the camps. The Russians are putting up wonderful resistance. This war is going to end in 1942 and it isn't going to be necessary for us to break our backs financially or otherwise, to accomplish that end."

Naturally we all want to see the war come to an early end and a lasting peace established, but we must not permit that desire to lead us into the dangerous paths of apathy, false optimism and wishful thinking, which if followed, will lead to certain disaster for the allies. It will be much better for us, and build up a more effective home front if we read the things that make us mad, and incidentally, there is plenty of such reading available,

Last week I visited several high school commencements, and at one of these the valedictorian of the class spoke upon the subject of "Thinking." I do not remember all she said, but I do remember that she divided "thinking" into various classes, the first of which she termed "reverie, day-dreaming, wishful thinking." Another type she termed "constructive thinking, based on appraisal of the facts as they are."

Out of that commencement address I remembered particularly those two points, and I wondered after I left if the thousand or more people who were there remembered as much of what I said as I remembered of what the valedictorian said. I will be extremely happy if I find they did. That spirit of reverie, mentioned by the young lady, that spirit of self-satisfaction and contentment one just naturally experiences while lying in a hammock, with his eyes fixed on the fleecy clouds and the beautiful blue sky, without any responsibility resting upon his or her shoulders, just lying there in a condition of reverie, builds day dreams and the sort of stories which are to my way of thinking, most insidious and most detrimental to the war effort because they are not supported by actualities.

Is it not time for us to cease indulgence in reverie and begin to read beyond the headlines? This is your war and my war and it cannot result in victory for the allies until each one is prepared to face the stern realities and discharge his individual responsibilities to God and country.

What are some of these stern realities? „

On Pearl Harbor, Sunday, December 7, 1941, nearly 2500 young Americans were victims of one of the most cold-

blooded murders that was ever perpetrated; they were murdered without a declaration of war. We lost two of our battleships, we lost a great quantity of material, we lost 2500 young men who had been highly trained for the war effort. Later we lost Wake Island, and we lost Guam. We retreated in the Philippines and for a time put up a heroic and splendid resistance on Bataan. But Bataan fell, and thousands of our men were killed, while other thousands became captives. We retired to Corregidor, and we held that position for a time. But eventually it fell. We have lost the Philippines, and during the past six months the Dutch East Indies have been lost to the allies. The continuous defeat of our armies, the continuous disaster including submarine destruction of our merchant ships has not been pleasant reading for Americans who looked beyond the headlines toward vital subject matter.

It was not pleasant reading in 1940 to learn of the evacuation of Dunkirk, and of the many disasters that preceded and followed it, but the facts were there.

We are going to win this war IF we, the United Nations, do everything that is necessary; if we put forth that supreme effort that is necessary for us to over-balance those early losses, to enable us to take the initiative when and where the initiative can be taken. Whether it be in a second front in Europe this year or whether it be the continuation of the splendid air attacks upon German industrial production, is not for me to say; but it is going to be tremendously necessary for every American citizen, for every citizen of this great Dominion, for every man, woman and child of the allies to put forth every effort, no matter what it costs.

Let us gird ourselves for at least three years more of war; to the necessity of pouring forth our young men (by the end of this year four million will be in uniform south of us and we will add greatly to that number during the years that are to come); to pour forth our treasure (which would be dust and ashes to us in the event of a Hitler victory); to do everything that is humanly possible to be done by men who love freedom above all things; who believe

that under God we have no greater destiny than to perpetuate the sort of Government that is represented by the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes.

We need to face the facts and to bring to our task a higher degree of faith than we have exhibited up to now. We need a quiet and determined return to the fundamental faith of our fathers that has guided the Anglo-Saxon people in this land for four hundred years. We need a return to that simple faith, back to the homely philosophy of that simple colored man who said the other day, "I believe we are going to win this war because we are on God's side." In this war we are on God's side because we are on the side of right.

We need to have a faith in our leaders that will impel us to give our all for victory. We must have faith in our allies and it must be founded on the facts as they are.

The Russians through the cold Russian winter succeeded in regaining less than ten per cent of the ground taken by Hitler. The other day Kerch fell, and it is only four miles across the straight separating the Crimean peninsula and the source of the roads leading to the oil fields of the Caucasus. We need to keep these things before us if we are going to keep ahead. We must not be content with day dreams and hopes and wishful thinking. Let us remember this, take it home with us, carry it to our communities wherever they may be. Let us give due credit to the tremendous purpose of the Russian army and the Russian people, an army that is still intact, that is still fighting, an army that still has a tremendous morale and still has the will to win. And what of it if that army has only succeeded in holding Mr. Hitler? The service has proved invaluable to the cause of free men everywhere.

We must have faith in our British allies, faith in a people that stood alone from the fall of France in 1940 until the summer of 1941; that for two and a half years has lived under the deadly peril of daily and nightly bomb attacks and has kept its morale high; a people that today occupies an enviable place in the heart of every American.

We want to continue in that spirit of faith and trust. We want to continue in it with our eyes wide open. If we do that, the war can be terminated in three years, but it will not be if we fail to give all we have—our sons and our treasure, or if we permit Hitler-ispired reports of dissatisfaction in Germany to affect us, for I believe that I am safe in saying that 90 per cent of the people in Germany are with the Fuehrer. If we permit all these things to destroy our will to win, if we permit the softness of dreams to obscure our judgment, we may be fighting until we end in a war of complete exhaustion.

We still have a big job before us; a tremendous task, a bloody task of making this world safe for the democratic way of living. After that we shall still have another job, that of **keeping** this world secure from the attacks of the bandit nations. Finally we shall have upon us what Kipling has called the "white man's burden"—the task of keeping peace in this world and making it possible for men to deal honestly, fairly and justly with one another as you and I have tried to do; to live as people in Canada, the British Isles and the United States have tried to live. The task of rebuilding what the bandit nations have destroyed is one that is going to challenge all of our vision and all of our energy.

The applause and thanks of the Chairman testified the pleasure with which the address had been received.

R.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11) moved a hearty vote of thanks be given to the brethren of the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts for the Luncheon, entertainment and the fine address given by M.W. Bro. Hon. John Moses. The brethren responded most heartily.

In Memoriam

DEDICATED

TO

THE DISTINGUISHED DEAD OF

SISTER

GRAND LODGES

1941

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

John Christie Walker-Reid

Initiated in Hartney Lodge 52 A.F. & A.M., Hartney, Manitoba, September 21st, 1897.
Passed November 9th, 1897; Raised December 7th, 1897; Master of Hartney Lodge No. 52, 1905.

District Deputy Grand Master, 1908
Grand Junior Warden, 1923
Grand Senior Warden, 1924
Deputy Grand Master, 1925
Grand Master, 1926

Born in
Edinburgh, Scotland
July, 1881

Died in
Souris, Manitoba
January 13th, 1942

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Most Revered
Samuel Pritchard Matheson

Former Primate of the Church of England in Canada.

Initiated in Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3 on June 8th, 1874; Passed July 13th, 1874;

Raised August 24th, 1874; Demitted December 13th, 1885.

Charter Member of Hiram Lodge No. 5, East Kildonan, October 12th, 1875, and its First Master.

Joined Northern Light Lodge No. 10, March 21st, 1880.

Charter Member of "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114, May 22nd, 1909.

Rejoined Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, January 16th, 1933.

Grand Chaplain, 1877
Grand Master, 1879

Born in the	Died in
Red River Settlement	Winnipeg, Manitoba
September 20th, 1852	May 19th, 1942

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Harry Herbert Campkin

Deputy Grand Master, 1905
Junior Grand Warden, 1903
Senior Grand Warden, 1904
Deputy Grand Master, 1905

DIED
November 19th, 1941

Frederick L. Newman

Grand Junior Warden, 1890
Grand Senior Warden, 1896

DIED
January 8th, 1942

Francis Gladstone Lewin

Grand Senior Warden, 1902

DIED
March 13th, 1942

Robert White Woodrooffe

Grand Registrar, 1890

DIED
October 2nd, 1941

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

John Chestnut

Grand Steward, 1907
DIED
February 4th, 1941

Haldor Williams

Grand Steward, 1914
DIED
July 6th, 1941

Colin Mackenzie

Grand Junior Steward, 1928
DIED
October 27th, 1941

Robert P. Morrison

Junior Grand Deacon, 1920
DIED
June 2nd, 1941

William Joseph Schnarr

Grand Senior Steward, 1920
DIED
December 2nd, 1941

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

John Samuel Greaves

Grand Steward, 1911
District Deputy Grand Master, 1913
DIED
August 31st, 1941

Henry C. Cunningham

District Deputy Grand Master, 1902
DIED
July 2nd, 1941

Mervyn C. McKinnon

District Deputy Grand Master, 1917
DIED
January 13th, 1941

William J. Wilson

District Deputy Grand Master, 1922
DIED
March 13th, 1942

William F. Fife

District Deputy Grand Master, 1937
DIED
August 2nd, 1941

SACRED TO THE MEMORY

OF THE

ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE

BRETHREN

OF THE SIXTY-SEVEN LODGES

OF THIS GRAND JURISDICTION

WHOSE DEATHS

HAVE BEEN REPORTED DURING THE

MASONIC YEAR

ENDING

DECEMBER 31st, 1941

IN MEMORY

OF THE BELOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE

At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Gollop, Eli J.	Mar. 11th, 1941	Prince Rupert's	1
McMillan, W. J.	Aug. 11th, 1941	Prince Rupert's	1
Woodroofe, R. W.	Oct. 2nd, 1941	Prince Rupert's	1
Wilson, C. H.	Oct. 6th, 1941	Prince Rupert's	1
Warner, J. G.	Jan. 15th, 1941	Lisgar	2
Hooper, A. W.	Feb. 12th, 1941	Lisgar	2
McIntyre, D. A.	April 12th, 1941	Lisgar	2
McMartin, A.	May 17th, 1941	Lisgar	2
Williams, H.	July 6th, 1941	Lisgar	2
Pollock, Thos.	Aug. 26th, 1941	Lisgar	2
Cummings, W. L.	Sept. 10th, 1941	Lisgar	2
Elliott, E. J.	Jan. 1941	Ancient Landmark	3
Russell, J. M.	April 15th, 1941	Ancient Landmark	3
Wilson, J. C.	May 23rd, 1941	Ancient Landmark	3
McKay, D.	July 23rd, 1941	Ancient Landmark	3
Johns, A. W.	Aug. 8th, 1941	Ancient Landmark	3
Maxwell, Robt.	Nov. 19th, 1941	Ancient Landmark	3
Prendergast, Jas.	Jan. 13th, 1941	St. John's	4
Schumacher, J. H.	April 1st, 1941	St. John's	4
Masterman, L.	May 17th, 1941	St. John's	4
Lowrey, R. D.	June 2nd, 1941	St. John's	4
Stockdale, Henry	July 3rd, 1941	St. John's	4
Hebb, A. G.	Aug. 21st, 1941	St. John's	4
Lawrie, Robt.	Dec. 21st, 1941	St. John's	4
Mackenzie, J. G.	Mar. 10th, 1941	Emerson	6
Sundberg, Chas.	May 31st, 1941	Emerson	6
Casselman, Ezra	June 19th, 1941	Emerson	6
Johnson, A. A.	Dec. 24th, 1941	Assiniboine	7
Ham, G. R.	Mar. 3rd, 1941	Assiniboine	7
O'Brien, V. G.	May 4th, 1941	Assiniboine	7
Maunders, A. R.	Aug. 25th, 1941	Assiniboine	7
McMillan, Don.	June 10th, 1941	King Solomon	8
Elliott, L. J.	Mar. 15th, 1941	Northern Light	10
Fleming, Rev. D.	June 20th, 1941	Northern Light	10
Hewitt, J. L.	Sept. 8th, 1941	Northern Light	10

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Dadson, J. M.	Sept. 22nd, 1941	Northern Light	10
Bartlett, C.	Oct. 31st, 1941	Northern Light	10
Hartshorne, L.	Dec. 8th, 1941	Northern Light	10
McLaren, J. D.	Jan. 3rd, 1941	Gladstone	11
Newcombe, Jas.	April 4th, 1941	Gladstone	11
Laing, Geo.	July 15th, 1941	Stonewall	12
Stinson, J. H.	Aug. 24th, 1941	Stonewall	12
Holloway, T. E.	Nov. 30th, 1941	Stonewall	12
Irwin, Burt	Dec. 3rd, 1941	Stonewall	12
Scott, Stuart	Dec. 23rd, 1941	Morden	13
Folkurst, J. H.	May 23rd, 1941	Prince of Wales	14
McMartin, D.	June 1941	Prince of Wales	14
Pinner, Wm. A.	Aug. 29th, 1941	Prince of Wales	14
Stewart, John	Nov. 16th, 1941	Prince of Wales	14
Tilley, E. E.	July 19th, 1941	Corinthian	15
Fyfe, W. T.	Feb. 20th, 1941	Brandon	19
Dickson, H. G.	April 3rd, 1941	Brandon	19
Whitehead, J. B.	Sept. 12th, 1941	Brandon	19
Young, Wm.	Jan. 2nd, 1942	Neepawa	24
Blackwood, J. H.	Feb. 19th, 1941	Ionic	25
Hamilton, D. W.	Mar. 19th, 1941	Ionic	25
Morrow, G. D.	April 30th, 1941	Ionic	25
Garbutt, Wm.	May 19th, 1941	Ionic	25
Rose, Geo.	Aug. 11th, 1941	Ionic	25
McMeans, L.	Sept. 13th, 1941	Ionic	25
Griffiths, Thos.	Oct. 2nd, 1941	Ionic	25
Stewart, Alex.	Nov. 28th, 1941	Ionic	25
Bryans, T. H.	Jan. 15th, 1941	Glenwood	27
Chestnut, John	Feb. 4th, 1941	Glenwood	27
Davey, J. B.	Feb. 28th, 1941	Carberry	29
Caithness, Wm.	April 16th, 1941	Carberry	29
Williams, W. J.	Nov. 5th, 1941	Carberry	29
Ridley, J. B.	April 30th, 1941	Manitou	30
Armstrong, G. T.	Sept. 8th, 1941	Manitou	30
Greaves, J. S.	Aug. 31st, 1941	Doric	36

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Wood, C. R.	Oct. 23rd, 1941	Doric	36
Childe, E. C.	Nov. 14th, 1941	Deloraine	40
Pineo, W. M.	July 19th, 1941	Lebanon	43
Windle, J. H.	Sept. 2nd, 1941	Lebanon	43
Hodgens, Fred	Feb. 12th, 1941	Temple	49
Armstrong, G. L.	Nov. 15th, 1941	Temple	49
Schnarr, Wm. J.	Dec. 22nd, 1941	Killarney	50
Morrisson, R. P.	June 2nd, 1941	Treherne	51
Graham, Geo.	Oct. 4th, 1941	Treherne	51
Perrie, John	Dec. 22nd, 1941	Treherne	51
Briggs, E.	Dec. 14th, 1941	Hartney	52
Pope, F. M.	Mar. 17th, 1941	Oriental	54
Hewitt, J. W.	May 19th, 1941	Oriental	54
Hartley, F. J.	Feb. 1941	Shiloh	70
Fife, W. F.	Aug. 2nd, 1941	Shiloh	70
Kerr, E. M.	July 13th, 1941	Crystal	71
Hay, Wm.	Mar. 24th, 1941	Gothic	75
Smith, H.	Sept. 12th, 1941	Napinka	77
Cook, A.	April 11th, 1941	Elgin	86
Walton, H. V.	Nov. 9th, 1941	Shoal Lake	92
Scott, H.	Mar. 25th, 1941	King Edward	93
Lipsett, D.	April 16th, 1941	King Edward	93
Flower, R.	May 31st, 1941	King Edward	93
Green, R. J.	June 3rd, 1941	King Edward	93
Tufts, S. J.	June 7th, 1941	King Edward	93
Taylor, E. W.	July 15th, 1941	King Edward	93
Laing, W. J.	Dec. 6th, 1941	King Edward	93
Wheeler, L.	Nov. 18th, 1941	Hiram	94
McIntosh, D.	Feb. 28th, 1941	Robbie Burns	100
Brown, A.	Mar. 7th, 1941	Binscarth	101
Waller, Wm.	Dec. 7th, 1941	Binscarth	101
Sinclair, E.	Jan. 5th, 1941	Miniota	102
Forke, Thos.	Jan. 20th, 1941	Reston	104
Miller, J. M.	Dec. 2nd, 1941	Reston	104
Elliott, R.	Dec. 14th, 1941	Reston	104

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Taylor, W. A.	July 20th, 1941	Union	108
McKinnon, M. C.	Jan. 13th, 1941	Kilwinning	110
Monk, W. J.	Sept. 10th, 1941	Kilwinning	110
Singleton, J. J.	April 5th, 1941	Acacia	111
Thomas, John	April 19th, 1941	Acacia	111
Ferguson, Thos.	July 1st, 1941	Acacia	111
Corbett, W. H.	Nov. 25th, 1941	Acacia	111
Corkish, J. S.	Feb. 22nd, 1941	Tweed	113
Weston, F.	Mar. 18th, 1941	Tweed	113
Agnew, Wm.	May 15th, 1941	Tweed	113
McCreary, W. W.	Aug. 17th, 1941	Tweed	113
Ball, F. A.	Nov. 11th, 1941	Tweed	113
Morrison, J. B.	Nov. 23rd, 1941	Tweed	113
Eaton, M.	Dec. 17th, 1941	Tweed	113
Martin, F. E.	Jan. 11th, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
Buckler S. E.	Mar. 25th, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
McFayden, H.	April 29th, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
Hall, S. J.	May 7th, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
Roberts, Edgar	May 15th, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
Dean, J. C.	July 19th, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
Gilbert, F. C.	Aug. 2nd, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
Fisher, G. W.	Aug. 11th, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
Gray, J. A.	Nov. 27th, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
Freeborn, T. A.	Mar. 26th, 1941	St. Andrew's	116
Beattie, W. E.	Aug. 3rd, 1941	Strathcona	117
Skinner, H. C.	Jan. 18th, 1941	Norwood	119
Gardner, J. S.	Nov. 25th, 1941	Norwood	119
Jones, F. P.	Dec. 8th, 1941	Norwood	119
Edgar, W. H.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Norwood	119
Green, C. W.	Mar. 5th, 1941	St. James	121
Gilhuly, J. A.	April 2nd, 1941	St. James	121
Quick, Chas.	April 24th, 1941	St. James	121
Batters, H. W.	Sept. 3rd, 1941	St. James	121
Judd, E. E.	Sept. 6th, 1941	St. James	121
Reid, J.	Nov. 8th, 1941	St. James	121

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Ramsay, W. K.	May 17th, 1941	Roblin	122
Hay, Angus	Dec. 17th, 1941	Roblin	122
Hunter, S.	April 21st, 1941	Transcona	123
McKeown, Jas.	June 29th, 1941	Transcona	123
Godfray, A. W.	Aug. 27th, 1941	Transcona	123
Killick, A.	Nov. 2nd, 1941	Transcona	123
McMartin, J. A.	Mar. 12th, 1941	Patricia	125
Blackwell, Geo.	April 18th, 1941	Empire	127
Hilbert, G. F.	Oct. 28th, 1941	Shellmouth	129
Pousette, G. F. C.	Feb. 1st, 1941	Fort Garry	130
Murphy, Chas.	July 16th, 1941	Fort Garry	130
Short, J. A.	Nov. 3rd, 1941	Fort Garry	130
Nelson, Robert	Nov. 16th, 1941	Fort Garry	130
Benson, Dr. C. F.	June 3rd, 1941	McCreary	133
Holland, J. T.	April 4th, 1941	Capitol	136
Power, Thos. M.	Aug. 29th, 1941	Capitol	136
Pollock, Archie	Dec. 22nd, 1941	Capitol	136
McNair, Hugh	Mar. 31st, 1941	Lord Selkirk	137
Libby, F. T.	Dec. 14th, 1941	Lord Selkirk	137
Howarth, E. F.	Jan. 25th, 1941	Windsor	138
Ormiston, J. B.	July 31st, 1941	Windsor	138
Andrews, S. J.	Sept. 24th, 1941	Windsor	138
Keeler, Chas.	May 31st, 1941	Meridian	140
Mackenzie, Colin	Oct. 27th, 1941	Meridian	140
Lyone, A.	April 28th, 1941	Mt. Sinai	143
Barish, D.	May 27th, 1941	Mt. Sinai	143
Vincent, P. M.	Jan. 7th, 1941	Fort Osborne	144
Matthews, S. H.	Mar. 1st, 1941	Fort Osborne	144
Brown, J. W.	Nov. 10th, 1941	Fort Osborne	144
Redfern, H. F.	Feb. 9th, 1941	Sturgeon Creek	145
Hawksworth, S. B.	April 30th, 1941	Fidelity	146
Coburn, W. M.	Sept. 22nd, 1941	Fidelity	146
Barron, J. E.	Oct. 1st, 1941	Seven Oaks	148
Laughlin, J. B.	Aug. 19th, 1941	Cartwright	150
Falloon, G. H.	Jan. 29th, 1941	Foxwarren	152
Longmore, Ben.	April 25th, 1941	Flin Flon	153

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
McDuff, A.	Mar. 18th, 1941	Prince Rupert's	1
Barlow, J. R.	May 26th, 1941	Prince Rupert's	1
Gentzel, A. E.	Sept. 16th, 1941	Prince Rupert's	1
Turnbull, J.	Nov. 18th, 1941	Prince Rupert's	1
Barker, E. G.	Dec. 16th, 1941	Prince Rupert's	1
Hannan, C. S.	Feb. 18th, 1941	Lisgar	2
Lockhart, J. F.	Sept. 21st, 1941	Lisgar	2
Harwood, J. C.	Dec. 15th, 1941	Ancient Landmark	3
Lowe, B.	Jan. 8th, 1941	St. John's	4
Townsend, R. J.	April 2nd, 1941	St. John's	4
Ralph, W. C.	Dec. 18th, 1941	Emerson	6
Moorhead, D. B.	Dec. 18th, 1941	Emerson	6
Leigh, S. W.	Jan. 16th, 1941	Northern Light	10
Mellor, A. H. L.	Jan. 16th, 1941	Northern Light	10
Radcliffe, Wm.	Jan. 16th, 1941	Northern Light	10
Knight, O. B.	Mar. 20th, 1941	Northern Light	10
Cameron, E. R.	Dec. 18th, 1941	Northern Light	10
Schofield, S.	Dec. 18th, 1941	Northern Light	10
Fahrni, R. C.	Dec. 10th, 1941	Gladstone	11
Pattinson, W. L.	Dec. 10th, 1941	Gladstone	11
H. R. Porter	Dec. 31st, 1941	Gladstone	11
James, R. H.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Gladstone	11
Moorbey, Thos.	Aug. 20th, 1941	Stonewall	12
Glover, R. A.	Nov. 20th, 1941	Morden	13
Ferguson, N. C.	Dec. 18th, 1941	Morden	13
South, J. D.	Dec. 18th, 1941	Morden	13
Harrison, J. V.	June 12th, 1941	Prince of Wales	14
Hockley, F. G.	Jan. 14th, 1941	Brandon	19
Noble, W. J.	Jan. 14th, 1941	Brandon	19
Brown, A. M.	Dec. 9th, 1941	Brandon	19
Bell, J. R.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Neepawa	24
Davis, F. L.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Neepawa	24
Jarvis, E. J.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Neepawa	24
McKenzie, D. J.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Neepawa	24
Gotschall, C. A.	Dec. 3rd, 1941	Ionic	25
Abernethy, G. W.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Glenwood	27
Glover, R. C.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Glenwood	27
Hetherington, E. G.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Glenwood	27
Judson, A. R.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Glenwood	27
D'Arcy, G. W.	Jan. 7th, 1941	Carberry	29
Whitlaw, G. E.	Dec. 30th, 1941	Carberry	29

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Livesley, R. R.	Sept. 23rd, 1941	Doric	36
Holditch, E. D.	Dec. 27th, 1941	Doric	36
Hadland, Wm.	Dec. 2nd, 1941	Birtle	39
Addison, J.	Jan. 15th, 1941	Deloraine	40
Allen, F. J.	Jan. 15th, 1941	Deloraine	40
Coutts, W. E. G.	Dec. 17th, 1941	Deloraine	40
Moffatt, H.	Dec. 2nd, 1941	Lebanon	43
Gilroy, E. W.	Dec. 16th, 1941	Temple	49
George, J. A.	May 19th, 1941	Killarney	50
Hardy, H. W.	May 19th, 1941	Killarney	50
Fowlie, W. J.	Dec. 15th, 1941	Killarney	50
Adair, J. A.	Oct. 3rd, 1941	Treherne	51
Goldberg, B.	Dec. 2nd, 1941	Hartney	52
Ward, J. C.	Feb. 6th, 1941	East Star	55
Howe, W. J.	Mar. 6th, 1941	East Star	55
Lucas, E.	Nov. 11th, 1941	Russell	62
Walker, L. R.	Dec. 10th, 1941	Holland	63
Oakden, B. A.	Jan. 7th, 1941	Vermillion	68
LaRoy, B. L.	Nov. 4th, 1941	Vermillion	68
McLaughlin, J. W.	June 2nd, 1941	Shiloh	70
Roger, A. J.	June 30th, 1941	Elkhorn	74
North, H. C.	Jan. 8th, 1941	Gothic	75
Loochuk, John	Jan. 8th, 1941	Gothic	75
Rothwell, W.	Dec. 3rd, 1941	Gothic	75
Jamieson, C. W.	Nov. 25th, 1941	Hamiota	84
Coleman, C. C.	Feb. 11th, 1941	Elgin	86
Collins, R. B.	Nov. 11th, 1941	Elgin	86
Turner, John	Feb. 19th, 1941	King Edward	93
Benson, J. W.	Mar. 19th, 1941	King Edward	93
Tofts, L. A.	Dec. 17th, 1941	King Edward	93
Williams, T. J.	Dec. 31st, 1941	King Edward	93
Bowes, W. E.	June 19th, 1941	Hiram	94
Hamilton, N. F.	Jan. 8th, 1941	Robbie Burns	100
Davies, C. F.	Jan. 8th, 1941	Robbie Burns	100
Barton, T. C.	Feb. 5th, 1941	Crescent	103
Norton, W. H.	Oct. 16th, 1941	Reston	104
Ready, M. A.	Dec. 11th, 1941	Reston	104
Mushynski, John	Jan. 2nd, 1941	Prince Arthur	105
Fyfe, C. J.	Nov. 9th, 1941	Kilwinning	110
Fraser, Wm.	Dec. 10th, 1941	Acacia	111
Black, W. A.	Sept. 5th, 1941	Ophir	112

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Girvin, W. R.	Jan. 21st, 1941	Tweed	113
Laycock, H.	Jan. 21st, 1941	Tweed	113
Shook, H. W.	June 17th, 1941	Tweed	113
Kellie, A.	Dec. 15th, 1941	Tweed	113
Lawson, W. A.	Feb. 4th, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
Hannen, C. S.	April 1st, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
McKellar, D. S.	Dec. 2nd, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
Sargeant, R. A.	Dec. 2nd, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
Harris, S. E.	Dec. 31st, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
Phillips, C. A.	Dec. 31st, 1941	"The Assiniboine"	114
Freeborn, R. J.	Jan. 20th, 1941	St. Andrew's	116
Spencer, J. R.	Sept. 30th, 1941	Strathcona	117
Sennitt, H. C.	Mar. 13th, 1941	Mound	118
Clendenning, C. A.	May 8th, 1941	Norwood	119
Berry, G. E.	Jan. 8th, 1941	St. James	121
Fyles, W. A.	Dec. 10th, 1941	St. James	121
Foster, E. E.	Dec. 3rd, 1941	The Pas	124
Smith, D. M. C.	Dec. 3rd, 1941	The Pas	124
MacLean, W. H.	Mar. 5th, 1941	Patricia	125
Webb, Wm.	April 14th, 1941	Empire	127
Douglas, A.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Empire	127
Thomas, John	Dec. 31st, 1941	Empire	127
Buck, R.	Dec. 17th, 1941	Victory	128
Atnikov, F.	Dec. 4th, 1941	Shellmouth	129
Clarkson, P. K.	Jan. 8th, 1941	Fort Garry	130
Racine, J. R.	Feb. 12th, 1941	Fort Garry	130
Watt, F. W.	Nov. 12th, 1941	Fort Garry	130
Horne, J. W.	Nov. 12th, 1941	Fort Garry	130
Shiells, Walter	April 2nd, 1941	Stony Mountain	134
Deacon, R. O.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Capitol	136
Swift, Wm.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Capitol	136
Warburton, B.	Nov. 7th, 1941	Capitol	136
Jacob, R.	Dec. 10th, 1941	Lord Selkirk	137
McEwan, G. A.	Dec. 10th, 1941	Lord Selkirk	137
Gibson, K. M.	Dec. 10th, 1941	Lord Selkirk	137
Falconer, C. C.	Dec. 10th, 1941	Lord Selkirk	137
Alexander, M.	Jan. 13th, 1941	Windsor	138
Godwin, John	May 12th, 1941	Windsor	138
Beal, F. R. W.	Dec. 8th, 1941	Windsor	138
Thomson, S. B.	Dec. 8th, 1941	Windsor	138
Munro, J. C.	Dec. 31st, 1941	Beaver	139

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Kick, Louis	Sept. 25th, 1941	Mt. Sinai	143
Stephens, J. M.	Dec. 2nd, 1940	Sturgeon Creek	145
Smith, R. C.	Sept. 9th, 1941	Sturgeon Creek	145
Hamilton, Jas.	Sept. 19th, 1941	Fidelity	146
Simonson, C. S.	Nov. 21st, 1941	Fidelity	146
Jones, A. G.	Dec. 19th, 1941	Fidelity	146
McInnes, J. A.	Jan. 9th, 1941	Jubilee	147
Duxbury, A. A.	Aug. 28th, 1941	Jubilee	147
Geddes, Wm.	Dec. 12th, 1941	Seven Oaks	148
Day, J. Bruce	Dec. 14th, 1941	Pine Falls	154
Zutz, Wm.	Nov. 19th, 1941	Manitouwapa	156

ON THE 12th OF MAY, 1875, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER.

When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Grand Senior Wardens	Grand Junior Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1875	*Rev. W. C. Clarke	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*John H. Bell	*H. T. Champion	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1876	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*G. F. Newcomb	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Jno. W. Harris	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1877	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jas Henderson	*Jno. W. Harris	*E. G. Conklin	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson
1878	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*F. T. Bradley	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1879	*Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*R. McCuaig	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*James Munroe	*Rev. James Flett
1880	*John H. Bell	*E. G. Conklin	*Hon. G. McMicken	*J. M. McGregor	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1881	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. B. Murray	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston	*Jas. Henderson	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1882	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*Alfred Pearson	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston		*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1883	*John H. Bell	*D. B. Murray	*R McCuaig	†John Smith	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. Young	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1884	*John H. Bell	*C. F. Forrest	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood	†N. J. Lindsay	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	†Wm. Simpson	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1885	*C. F. Forrest	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	†Thos. Colins	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood
1886	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	*J. W. H. Wilson	*J. K. Brydon	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. G. Bell	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1887	*Thomas Clark	†John A. Kerr	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Jas. S. Greig	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1888	*Thomas Clark	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	R. C. Brown	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Joseph Daniel	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1889	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara	*Wm. G. Bell	*Thos. L. Morton	†Thos. McPherson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James A. Payne	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1890	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	†Thos. McPherson	*Fred L. Newman	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*R. W. Woodroofe	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1891	*Wm. G. Bell	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rich'd D. Foley	*John Leslie	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James G. Dagg	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1892	*J. W. H. Wilson	*D. J. Goggin	*F. G. Lewin	*Thos. Robinson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. A. Windatt	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1893	*D. J. Goggin	*Thos. Robinson	*Thomas Tweed	*Corbet Locke	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. H. Munson	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1894	*Thomas Tweed	Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*Hugh U. Bain	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Rev. A. W. F. Cooper	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1895	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*John Leslie	*Geo. B. Murphy	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*John Chambers	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1896	*Corbet Locke	*John Leslie	*Fred L. Newman	†F. T. English	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†C. N. Mitchell	Rev. J. W. Matheson
1897	*Thomas Robinson	*Geo. B. Murphy	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	†Wm. Crawford	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. O. Smith	*Rev. A. Chisholm

OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, ELECTED AT ITS FOUNDATION ON THE 12th OF MAY, 1875, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER—Continued.

When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Grand Senior Wardens	Grand Junior Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1898	*Geo. B. Murphy.	*H. J. Eberts.....	*R. S. Thornton	*Wm. A. Windatt.	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott....	†Edgar W. Rugg..	†Rev. C. R. Littler
1899	*John Leslie	*R. S. Thornton..	*W. A. Windatt..	*S. B. Jamieson..	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott....	†J. A. Sutherland.	†Rev. J. W. Muirhead
1900	*R. S. Thornton..	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	Wm. Fenwick ..	*R. Hill Myers..	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas..	†E. A. Braithwaite.	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1901	*R. S. Thornton..	*R. Hill Myers....	†E. A. Braithwaite.	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas..	*James M. Suttie..	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1902	*R. Hill Myers...	†E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm.	*Geo. W. Baker..	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas..	†Geo. H. Webster.	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1903	†E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott..	*H. H. Campkin ..	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas..	*R. P. Crookshank.	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1904	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott..	*H. H. Campkin ..	†James Scroggie .	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas..	†O. E. S. Whiteside	Rev. John Wells
1905	*Wm. G. Scott...	*H. H. Campkin ..	†James Scroggie ..	†Henry J. Pugh...	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas..	*John R. Grant...	†Rev. Geo. H. Hogbin
1906	*John McKechnie.	†James Scroggie .	†Henry J. Pugh...	*James D. Baine..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas..	*Arthur H. Smith.	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1907	†James Scroggie ..	†Henry J. Pugh...	*James D. Baine..	*John Wemyss ...	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas..	*Robert Magness ..	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1908	†Henry J. Pugh...	*James D. Baine..	*John Wemyss ...	*Wm. Chambers ..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas..	*A. N. Macpherson	Rev. Thos. Neville
1909	*James D. Baine..	*Geo. W. Baker...	*John Wemyss ...	*Wm. Chambers .	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas..	*Joseph Greenfield.	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1910	*Geo. W. Baker..	*John Wemyss ..	*Wm. Chambers .	Ed. M. Walker...	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas..	*Jas. E. Maynard..	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1911	*John Wemyss ...	*Wm. Chambers .	Ed. M. Walker...	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas..	*R. W. A. Rolph..	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1912	*Wm. Chambers .	Ed. M. Walker..	*Lynds S. Vaughan	Henry E. Bletcher.	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas..	*John Colwell	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1913	Ed. M. Walker..	*Lynds S. Vaughan	Henry E. Bletcher.	*Percy E. Kellett..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas..	Robert L. Ross...	Rev. Sydney D. Thomas
1914	*Lynds S. Vaughan	William Fenwick	Henry E. Bletcher.	*Percy E. Kellett..	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas..	*J. M. Robinson..	*Rev. Peter E. Scott
1915	William Fenwick.	Henry E. Bletcher.	*Percy E. Kellett.	Ed. T. Greenway	*T. Harry Webb..	*James A. Ovas..	*Jno. Macwhirter .	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1916	Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett.	Ed. T. Greenway.	*Alex. McIntyre .	*James G. Dagg.	*James A. Ovas..	Chas. F. Hasselfield	Rev. James S. Miller
1917	*Percy E. Kellett.	Ed. T. Greenway.	*Alex. McIntyre ..	Albert J. Hatcher.	*James G. Dagg.	*James A. Ovas..	*Jno. J. Jackson..	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1918	Ed. T. Greenway.	*Alex. McIntyre ..	Albert J. Hatcher.	Geo. N. Jackson.	*James G. Dagg.	*James A. Ovas..	.....	*Rev. Tros. G. Bethell
1919	*Alex. McIntyre .	Albert J. Hatcher.	Geo. N. Jackson.	*Rev. A. B. Baird.	Wm. J. Major...	*James A. Ovas..	.....	Rev. James W. Anderson
1920	Albert J. Hatcher	Geo. N. Jackson..	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major..	Jabez Miller ...	*James A. Ovas..	.....	Rev. Chas. E.

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When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Grand Senior Wardens	Grand Junior Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1921	Geo. N. Jackson.	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major...	Jas. S. MacEwing.	Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas..	.....	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1922	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major...	Jas. S. MacEwing.	A. L. Crossin....	Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas..	.....	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1923	Wm. J. Major...	Jas. S. MacEwing.	Albert L. Crossin.	*J. C. Walker Reid	Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas..	.....	†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1924	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin.	*J. C. Walker Reid	Jabez Miller	James Mackie ...	*James A. Ovas..	.....	†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1925	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	James Mackie ...	*James A. Ovas..	.....	*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay
1926	*J. C. Walker Reid	Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas .	James Mackie ...	*James A. Ovas..	.....	*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay
1927	Jabez Miller ...	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas .	George Hunter ..	James Mackie ...	*James A. Ovas..	.....	Rev. George W. Findlay
1928	*Murdo A. Whimster..	William Douglas .	George Hunter ..	Norman J. Black.	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas..	.....	Rev. George W. Findlay
1929	William Douglas.	George Hunter...	Norman J. Black.	David S. Woods..	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas..	.....	Rev. George W. Findlay
1930	George Hunter ..	Norman J. Black.	David S. Woods..	James Mackie ...	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas..	.....	Rev. G. A. Woodside
1931	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods..	James Mackie ...	*Henry L. Adolph.	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas..	.....	Rev. G. A. Woodside
1932	David S. Woods.	James Mackie ...	*Henry L. Adolph.	Royal Burritt ...	Alex. Burgess ...	*James A. Ovas..	.....	Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1933	James Mackie ..	*Henry L. Adolph.	Royal Burritt ...	Harry Woods ...	Alex. Burgess ...	*James A. Ovas..	.....	Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1934	*Henry L. Adolph.	Royal Burritt ...	Harry Woods ...	John T. Boyd....	Alex. Burgess ...	*James A. Ovas..	.....	Rev. George R. Calvert
1935	Royal Burritt ..	Harry Woods ...	John T. Boyd...	Robert Hawkins .	Alex. Burgess ...	J. H. G. Russell..	.....	Rev. George R. Calvert
1936	Harry Woods ...	John T. Boyd...	Robert Hawkins .	W. D. Lawrence..	Alex. Burgess ...	J. H. G. Russell..	.....	Rev. Thomas Neville
1937	John T. Boyd...	Robert Hawkins .	W. D. Lawrence..	J. J. Henderson.	Alex. Burgess ...	J. H. G. Russell..	.....	Rev. Harry Sherstone
1938	Robert Hawkins..	W. D. Lawrence..	J. J. Henderson..	Rev. G. R. Calvert	Alex. Burgess ...	J. H. G. Russell..	.....	Rev. Harry Sherstone
1939	W. D. Lawrence.	J. J. Henderson..	Rev. G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni....	Alex. Burgess...	J. H. G. Russell..	.....	Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1940	J. J. Henderson..	Rev. G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni....	Ben C. Parker...	Alex. Burgess ...	J. H. G. Russell..	.....	Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1941	Canon G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni....	Ben C. Parker...	Sam Burland....	Alex. Burgess ...	J. H. G. Russell..	.....	Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1942	S. H. Fahrni....	Ben C. Parker...	Sam Burland	Rev. P. T. Pilkey.	Alex Burgess	J. H. G. Russell..	.....	Rev. J. L. McInnis

* Dead

† Removed from Jurisdiction

LODGE DIRECTORY

No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Worshipful Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
1	Prince Rupert's	Winnipeg	W. A. McKnight	John McRae	Third Tuesday
2	Lisgar	Selkirk	J. Hokinson	Thos. Bunn	Third Tuesday
3	Ancient Landmark	Winnipeg	C. J. Last	W. F. Hutton	Third Monday
4	St. John's	Winnipeg	C. W. Brock	Jas. Mackie	First Wednesday
6	Emerson	Emerson	O. Malmgren	Len. Beer	Third Thursday
7	Assiniboine	Portage la Prairie	G. G. Grigg	R. A. Price	Third Monday
8	King Solomon	Morris	O. T. Johnson (Acting)	Wm. Moore	Second Tuesday
10	Northern Light	Winnipeg	A. J. Muir	D. A. Ross	Third Thursday
11	Gladstone	Gladstone	R. J. MacKenzie	E. J. Cresswell	Second Monday
12	Stonewall	Stonewall	H. K. Hutson	S. F. Groome	Third Tuesday
13	Morden	Morden	K. B. Thorkelson	M. Maclean	Third Thursday
14	Prince of Wales	Minnedosa	T. H. Murton	P. C. Carlson	Second Thursday
15	Corinthian	Rapid City	R. J. Matthewson	Arthur Dennis	Tuesday on or before full moon
19	Brandon	Brandon	R. Parsons	W. W. Donaldson (Act.)	Second Tuesday
24	Neepawa	Neepawa	G. S. Blackwell	Jas. McIntosh	Second Tuesday
25	Ionic	Winnipeg	E. L. Hardie	M. Cobban	First Monday
27	Glenwood	Souris	Jas. Clarke	A. W. Patrick	Fourth Friday
29	Carberry	Carberry	G. T. Rogers	B. S. Caldwell	Tuesday on or before full moon
30	Manitou	Manitou	H. R. Lawson	Rev. J. W. Cruikshank	First Tuesday
36	Doric	Boissevain	C. N. Mains	B. Grant	Fourth Tuesday
39	Birtle	Birtle	F. G. Bowman	F. C. Barber	Tuesday on or before full moon
40	Deloraine	Deloraine	C. McKenzie	Wm. Brown	First Wednesday
43	Lebanon	Virden	S. N. Kyles	W. L. Cann	First Tuesday
44	Oak Lake	Oak Lake	J. L. Baillie	R. F. Stevens	Second Thursday
48	Glenboro	Glenboro	J. L. Budge	A. S. Hames	Second Tuesday
49	Temple	Macgregor	S. R. Lamb	H. I. Collins	Third Tuesday
50	Killarney	Killarney	G. M. Anderson	J. C. Bate	Third Monday
51	Treherne	Treherne	Victor H. Hugo	H. A. Adair	Friday on or before full moon
52	Hartney	Hartney	W. G. Morrison	J. A. Callander	First Tuesday
54	Oriental	Melita	S. G. Kennedy	J. G. Cobb	Third Monday
55	East Star	Gretna	A. R. Dick	G. G. McEdward	First Thursday
62	Russell	Russell	F. A. M. Robertson	C. E. Whitmer	Second Tuesday
63	Holland	Holland	S. Kliman	F. H. Dagg	Second Wednesday
64	Composite	Alexander	Stan. W. Dunn	D. A. Nichol	Third Thursday
67	Wawanesa	Wawanesa	A. D. Naismith	C. L. Atkinson	Monday on or before full moon

LODGE DIRECTORY—Continued

No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Worshipful Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
68	Vermillion	Dauphin	M. S. Astwood	J. M. Bateman	First Tuesday
70	Shiloh	Roland	J. A. Hawley	C. H. Glover	Second Thursday
71	Crystal	Crystal City	R. J. Burgess	W. G. McNamee	Second Tuesday
74	Elkhorn	Elkhorn	F. C. Norris	H. J. Jones	Fourth Monday
75	Gothic	Austin	F. J. Hall	G. R. Hay	Second Wednesday
77	Napinka	Napinka	W. H. Kruger	T. A. Taylor	First Thursday
82	Cypress	Cypress River	C. R. Morecombe	R. I. Connon	First Thursday
84	Hamiota	Hamiota	W. O. Curll	L. S. Taylor	Fourth Tuesday
86	Elgin	Elgin	I. W. Boyd	E. J. Smillie	Second Tuesday
87	Rathwell	Rathwell	G. N. Thornes	J. A. Draper	Tuesday on or before full moon
90	Midlothian	Miami	A. C. Orchard	J. A. Kerr	Third Monday
92	Shoal Lake	Shoal Lake	B. H. Manning	G. J. Turner	Second Wednesday
93	King Edward	Winnipeg	F. H. Blythe	S. A. Restall	Third Wednesday
94	Hiram	Grandview	C. C. McVey	J. E. Johnson	Third Thursday
100	Robbie Burns	Gilbert Plains	Hislop Dickson	M. D. Snyder	Second Wednesday
101	Binscarth	Binscarth	Geo. Fowler	M. E. Clegg	Third Tuesday
102	Miniota	Miniota	H. M. Brisbin	W. H. Yarwood	Fourth Thursday
103	Crescent	Elm Creek	H. R. Bewes	R. H. Woods	Wednesday on or before full moon
104	Reston	Reston	G. J. Ward	A. K. Cates	Second Thursday
105	Prince Arthur	Swan River	Wm. Foshner	J. Livesey	First Thursday
106	Strathclair	Strathclair	I. L. Wersh	H. W. Clark	Tuesday on or before full moon
107	Lansdowne	Griswold	T. B. Campbell	J. G. McMillan	Fourth Wednesday
108	Union	Brookdale	C. L. F. McLeod	A. L. Curtis	First Thursday
109	Swan Lake	Swan Lake	E. S. Goodwin	G. O. Couch	Wednesday on or before full moon.
110	Kilwinning	Minto	R. A. King	J. B. Francis	Second Monday
111	Acacia	Winnipeg	W. F. Somerville	Wm. Dewar	Second Wednesday
112	Ophir	Beausejour	C. T. Mitchell	Wm. Craik	First Friday
113	Tweed	Brandon	Erdman Braun	Wm. Fenwick	Third Tuesday
114	"The Assiniboine"	Winnipeg	W. A. Mackie	O. E. MacQuoid	First Tuesday
115	Rivers	Rivers	W. T. Dyer	R. G. Sinclair	Last Monday
116	St. Andrew's	Wellwood	W. A. Mackie	G. W. Wells	Monday on or after full moon
117	Strathcona	Belmont	N. T. E. Madsen	H. E. Hopkins	Tuesday on or before full moon
118	Mound	Pilot Mound	J. D. Hetherington	R. E. Hicks	Fourth Thursday
119	Norwood	Norwood	F. McKenzie	N. McDonald	Second Thursday
120	Penza	Dominion City	Len Andrews	A. G. Froom	Fourth Tuesday

LODGE DIRECTORY—Continued

No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Worshipful Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
121	St. James	St. James	J. C. Stevens	J. C. McCallum	Second Wednesday
122	Roblin	Roblin	Geo. Kelso	W. J. Westwood	Second Monday
123	Transcona	Transcona	J. B. Brooks	F. G. Turner	First Friday
124	The Pas	The Pas	P. S. Ridings	G. A. Williams	First Wednesday
125	Patricia	Sperling	L. C. Welsh	J. H. MacLean	First Wednesday
126	Favel	Minitonas	F. J. Dix	R. R. Johnstone	First Tuesday
127	Empire	Weston	D. Crowther	E. Thompson	Second Monday
128	Victory	Benito	H. S. Tax	J. W. Herd	Third Wednesday
129	Shellmouth	Shellmouth	E. R. Ridgway	A. H. Herbert	Second Monday
130	Fort Garry	Winnipeg	Thos. Gilchrist	W. D. G. Runions	Second Wednesday
131	Kildonan	Winnipeg	A. E. Love	C. M. Smillie	Second Tuesday
132	Sprague	Sprague	W. A. Piper	Thos. McCarthy	Second Wednesday
133	McCreary	McCreary	J. A. Fletcher	T. E. Squire	Second Thursday
134	Stony Mountain	Stony Mountain	H. Lusignan	T. Clayton	First Wednesday
136	Capitol	Winnipeg	J. A. McIlvride	George Newman	First Friday
137	Lord Selkirk	Winnipeg	A. C. Campbell	G. R. Mackay	Second Wednesday
138	Windsor	St. Vital	A. McDonald	H. B. Donnelly	Second Monday
139	Beaver	Winnipeg	Ivan Deacon	S. W. Robertson	Second Thursday
140	Meridian	Winnipeg	Thos. Moore	E. H. Crawford	Third Thursday
141	Tuscan	Winnipeg	Thos. Crossley	A. R. Simpson	Second Friday
142	Harmony	Cardale	R. L. Cochran	S. W. Smith	Third Thursday
143	Mt. Sinai	Winnipeg	Solomon Frank	J. Fred	Fourth Thursday
144	Fort Osborne	Winnipeg	D. McKenzie	T. J. Booth	First Tuesday
145	Sturgeon Creek	Sturgeon Creek	N. McIntosh	E. W. Browne	First Monday
146	Fidelity	Winnipeg	F. H. Williams	A. Sandilands	Third Friday
147	Jubilee	Bowsman	N. A. Brown	Henry Stevens	Second Thursday
148	Seven Oaks	Winnipeg	A. C. Collicutt	A. C. Pritchard	Second Friday
150	Cartwright	Cartwright	C. R. Beswatherick	W. H. Newton	Third Tuesday
151	The Dormer	Winnipeg	Sydney Smith	J. Buchan	First Tuesday
152	Foxwarren	Foxwarren	G. H. Copeland	V. G. Hillcox	First Wednesday
153	Flin Flon	Flin Flon	S. E. T. Dodd	C. Steventon	First Tuesday
154	Pine Falls	Pine Falls	R. J. Hackett	Wm. Bird	Second Friday
155	Carman	Carman	A. Stobart	F. W. Evans	Third Tuesday
156	Manitouwapa	Moosehorn	D. Ferguson	H. S. Rutherford	Third Wednesday

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUBORDIINATE LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1941

No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Demitted	Sus-pended N.P.D.	Sus-pended U.M.C.	Died	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1940	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1941
1	Prince Rupert's	1	1	1	1	2	5	....	....	4	425	420
2	Lisgar	2	1	1	1	1	2	....	....	7	124	119
3	Ancient Landmark	3	2	2	....	1	1	6	....	6	367	358
4	St. John's	4	3	2	....	2	2	....	....	7	584	581
6	Emerson	1	1	1	3	....	2	....	....	3	60	59
7	Assiniboine	2	....	....	2	....	....	3	....	4	178	175
8	King Solomon	1	1	1	....	2	1	....	....	1	60	61
10	Northern Light	1	1	1	11	....	6	4	....	6	270	266
11	Gladstone	1	1	....	2	....	4	2	....	3	72	66
12	Stonewall	4	3	3	....	....	1	3	....	4	88	84
13	Morden	2	2	3	....	1	3	....	....	2	74	72
14	Prince of Wales	2	2	2	....	....	1	....	....	5	95	91
15	Corinthian	1	1	1	....	....	....	1	....	1	51	50
19	Brandon	5	3	2	2	2	3	4	....	3	188	187
24	Neepawa	2	2	2	....	1	3	6	....	....	133	127
25	Ionic	12	16	16	3	....	1	4	....	8	512	514
27	Glenwood	4	4	4	1	....	4	1	....	2	118	116
29	Carberry	....	....	....	....	....	2	4	....	3	65	56
30	Manitou	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	2	49	48
36	Doric	....	....	....	....	....	2	2	....	2	86	80
39	Birtle	....	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	48	46
40	Deloraine	1	1	1	1	3	3	9	....	1	67	59
43	Lebanon	2	4	4	1	....	1	....	....	2	75	75
44	Oak Lake	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	28	29
48	Glenboro	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	48	50
49	Temple	1	1	1	1	....	1	1	....	2	74	72

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No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Demitted	Sus-pended N.P.D.	Sus-pended U.M.C.	Died	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1940	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1941
50	Killarney	1	1	1	2	1	3	1	....	1	62	61
51	Treherne	....	....	....	1	....	1	1	....	3	43	39
52	Hartney	4	4	4	....	....	1	....	....	1	78	80
54	Oriental	1	1	1	....	1	....	....	....	2	46	46
55	East Star	....	....	....	1	....	2	....	....	....	46	45
62	Russell	1	1	1	1	....	1	....	....	....	44	45
63	Holland	2	2	2	1	....	1	1	....	....	51	52
64	Composite	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	41	41
67	Wawanesa	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	37	38
68	Vermillion	....	....	....	2	2	2	2	....	....	156	156
70	Shiloh	3	3	3	....	1	1	....	....	2	69	70
71	Crystal	....	....	....	3	....	....	....	....	1	36	38
74	Elkhorn	....	....	....	....	....	1	4	1	....	38	32
75	Gothic	2	1	1	1	1	3	....	....	1	53	53
77	Napinka	1	1	1	2	....	....	....	....	1	51	53
82	Cypress	1	1	2	....	....	....	5	....	....	35	31
84	Hamiota	....	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	50	48
86	Elgin	4	4	4	....	1	2	....	....	1	55	57
87	Rathwell	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	24	24
90	Midlothian	1	1	....	....	....	1	1	....	2	59	56
92	Shoal Lake	2	2	2	....	....	....	....	....	2	71	71
93	King Edward	2	2	2	2	2	4	3	....	7	322	314
94	Hiram	1	2	2	....	1	1	....	....	1	53	53
100	Robbie Burns	2	1	1	....	1	2	....	....	1	30	30
101	Binscarth	....	....	....	....	....	1	2	....	2	36	31
102	Miniota	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	58	58
103	Crescent	1	1	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	40	40

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1941—Continued

No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Demitted	Suspended N.P.D.	Suspended U.M.C.	Died	Membership Dec. 31, 1940	Membership Dec. 31, 1941
104	Reston	3	1	....	2	2	2	1	....	3	101	102
105	Prince Arthur	1	1	1	1	....	1	3	....	....	63	61
106	Strathclair	....	....	....	....	2	....	2	....	....	40	40
107	Lansdowne	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	42	42
108	Union	3	2	1	1	....	....	1	....	1	32	34
109	Swan Lake	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	20	21
110	Kilwinning	2	2	2	....	....	....	....	....	2	45	45
111	Acacia	3	3	3	2	1	2	....	....	4	196	196
112	Ophir	3	1	1	1	....	1	4	....	....	61	60
113	Tweed	4	2	2	3	....	4	2	....	7	243	237
114	"The Assiniboine"	2	4	4	1	1	6	1	....	9	352	340
115	Rivers	6	6	6	....	....	....	2	....	....	43	47
116	St. Andrews	....	....	....	1	....	1	....	....	1	39	38
117	Strathcona	1	....	....	1	....	1	4	....	1	57	53
118	Mound	1	1	1	2	1	1	....	....	....	48	51
119	Norwood	3	3	2	5	1	1	....	....	4	175	179
120	Penza	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	33	33
121	St. James	4	5	5	2	....	2	....	....	6	154	152
122	Roblin	2	2	2	2	....	....	1	....	2	33	34
123	Transcona	4	4	4	1	1	....	....	....	4	116	118
124	The Pas	2	1	1	....	1	2	....	....	....	87	88
125	Patricia	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	25	23
126	Favel	1	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	36	38
127	Empire	1	1	1	1	....	3	....	....	1	123	121
128	Victory	2	2	2	1	1	1	....	....	....	37	40
129	Shellmouth	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	1	21	20

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1941—Continued

No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	Demitted	Suspended N.P.D.	Suspended U.M.C.	Died	Membership Dec. 31, 1940	Membership Dec. 31, 1941
130	Fort Garry	4	4	4	2	1	4	3	....	3	188	185
131	Kildonan	3	3	3	....	....	....	....	....	1	85	87
132	Sprague	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	27	27
133	McCreary	3	3	2	....	....	....	1	....	1	35	36
134	Stony Mountain	1	1	1	....	2	1	8	....	....	56	50
136	Capitol	3	2	2	1	....	3	2	....	3	163	159
137	Lord Selkirk	....	....	....	....	....	4	4	....	2	104	94
138	Windsor	3	3	3	....	1	4	....	....	3	126	123
139	Beaver	5	5	5	1	....	1	3	....	....	199	201
140	Meridian	7	7	7	1	....	....	....	....	2	245	251
141	Tuscan	....	....	....	2	....	....	2	....	....	70	70
142	Harmony	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	20	21
143	Mt. Sinai	3	3	3	....	....	1	1	....	2	198	197
144	Fort Osborne	7	10	10	....	....	....	3	....	3	113	114
145	Sturgeon Creek	....	....	....	....	....	2	3	....	1	82	76
146	Fidelity	4	4	6	2	....	3	....	....	3	110	110
147	Jubilee	2	2	2	....	1	2	1	....	....	42	42
148	Seven Oaks	....	....	....	2	....	1	1	....	1	87	86
150	Cartwright	1	1	....	....	....	....	2	....	1	32	31
151	The Dormer	....	....	....	4	....	....	1	....	....	41	44
152	Foxwarren	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	31	31
153	Flin Flon	3	3	5	1	....	....	....	....	1	88	91
154	Pine Falls	3	2	2	....	....	1	1	....	....	41	42
155	Carman	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	45	47
156	Manitouwapa	5	4	5	....	1	1	....	....	....	41	46
	Grand Totals	188	179	175	96	47	135	130		183	10113	9994

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1941

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
1	Prince Rupert's	9	2	11	126	294	86	78	655.00	.....	1300.72	.....	16812.20	1500.00	Active	1	Rent
3	Ancient Landmark	9	6	15	80	278	60	28	611.00	300.00	405.69	286.20	24443.99	2900.00	Active	1	Rent
4	St. John's	9	6	15	128	452	..	44	1803.00	65.00	1032.26	4000.00	30421.41	1750.00	Active	1	Rent
10	Northern Light	9	2	11	72	194	78	22	256.00	382.60	733.94	.....	9410.60	1500.00	Active	1	Rent
25	Ionic	10	10	20	126	388	96	52	1125.50	451.20	2524.48	246.97	42650.44	4000.00	Active	1	Rent
93	King Edward	9	5	14	65	248	82	48	1589.00	566.12	418.99	.....	8058.84	2100.00	Active	1	Rent
111	Acacia	9	4	13	50	146	30	64	644.00	216.20	.....	321.36	6408.01	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
114	"The Assiniboine"	10	3	13	76	264	59	38	407.00	135.00	1986.16	.....	13732.16	1500.00	Active	1	Rent
119	Norwood	9	2	11	26	153	58	31	646.84	44.85	167.84	1551.00	6013.68	7200.00	Active	1	Own
121	St. James	9	9	18	13	139	51	24	290.00	47.59	561.82	62.50	3738.07	750.00	Active	1	Rent
127	Empire	9	3	12	16	105	40	26	235.00	114.16	125.29	77.50	3900.25	3000.00	Active	1	Own

St. Johns Lodge reports under "Relief" a contribution of $5000 to the War Effort Fund.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1941

7	Assiniboine	10	4	14	73	102	30	38	335.00	30.00	1484.64	4180.00	13949.71	13500.00	Active	1	Own
11	Gladstone	12	3	15	20	46	15	8	112.00	17.00	135.29	Nil	4162.48	3000.00	Active	1	Own
24	Neepawa	10	2	12	55	70	20	48	336.25	36.35	520.21	1500.00	2424.26	Yes	Active	1	Rent
29	Carberry	10	3	13	31	25	18	19	264.00	13.60	58.56	58.60	2399.96	1500.00	Active	1	Own
49	Temple	12	2	14	30	42	20	17	185.00	68.50	320.00	Nil	2500.00	2500.00	Active	1	Own
75	Gothic	10	6	16	31	21	12	7	35.00	Nil	434.46	Nil	1500.00	1500.00	Active	1	Own
108	Union	9	2	11	13	20	10	7	50.00	Nil	151.97	Nil	1800.00	1300.00	Active	1	Own
116	St. Andrew's	10	3	13	24	14	12	17	129.00	15.00	80.00	Nil	1200.00	200.00	Active	1	Rent
133	McCreary	11	2	13	8	28	15	11	125.01	55.12	384.02	25.00	659.00	400.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1941

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
48	Glenboro	11	..	..	20	30	14	15	175.00	Nil	241.44	93.71	147.73	250.00	Active	1	Rent
51	Treherne	10	3	13	13	26	12	4	22.00	70.00	88.43	700.00	1388.43	2000.00	Active	1	Own
63	Holland	10	..	10	17	35	21	14	Nil	Nil	335.68	Nil	335.68	300.00	Active	1	Rent
67	Wawanesa	9	..	9	15	23	10	10	194.00	Nil	63.75	Nil	63.75	250.00	Active	1	Rent
82	Cypress	6	1	7	17	14	10	10	80.00	Nil	135.62	Nil	135.62	100.00	Active	1	Rent
87	Rathwell	12	1	13	4	20	..	3	48.00	Nil	91.60	Nil	325.75	300.00	Active	1	Rent
103	Crescent	7	..	7	12	28	8	7	115.00	10.00	593.83	Nil	593.83	300.00	Active	1	Rent
109	Swan Lake	3	..	3	9	11	..	2	145.00	8.00	188.20	Nil	188.20	200.00	Dorm	..	Rent
117	Strathcona	12	1	13	23	30	13	16	92.50	Nil	327.76	Nil	1727.76	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1941

13	Morden	10	1	13	39	31	22	37	297.00	210.00	184.66	Nil	880.00	500.00	Active	1	Rent
30	Manitou	9	..	11	16	32	14	7	50.00	239.88	319.83	Nil	2834.37	350.00	Active	1	Rent
36	Doric	11	1	13	11	67	22	15	150.00	37.65	408.23	Nil	2763.23	2500.00	Active	1	Own
50	Killarney	9	1	10	21	40	13	8	40.00	Nil	1097.66	Nil	1097.66	250.00	Active	1	Rent
71	Crystal	10	..	11	11	27	12	7	56.00	Nil	72.83	Nil	189.50	Nil	Active	1	Rent
118	Mound	12	..	12	17	34	15	12	89.00	8.40	250.35	Nil	539.35	100.00	Active	1	Rent
150	Cartwright	9	1	10	11	20	8	..	Nil	46.75	133.28	Nil	330.39	200.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1941

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
14	Prince of Wales	10	1	11	26	61	..	31	248.00	Nil	135.44	1100.00	6434.49	6000.00	Dorm.	1	Own
15	Corinthian	10	1	11	42	42	..	13	70.00	Nil	130.05	Nil	2400.00	1800.00	Active	1	Own
39	Birtle	12	..	12	28	78	..	12	85.00	Nil	190.24	33.76	2846.48	1500.00	Dorm.	1	Own
62	Russell	10	..	10	16	29	..	10	68.00	Nil	216.64	Nil	1440.09	1200.00	Active	1	Rent
84	Hamiota	6	..	6	9	39	..	11	92.00	Nil	167.73	25.14	342.59	200.00	Dorm.	1	Rent
92	Shoal Lake	10	3	13	35	36	..	24	201.00	Nil	104.16	45.94	1118.50	500.00	Active	1	Rent
101	Binscarth	9	2	11	11	20	..	23	320.00	Nil	22.41	229.50	292.91	500.00	Dorm.	1	Rent
102	Miniota	11	1	12	25	34	..	17	85.00	Nil	299.25	Nil	2299.28	825.00	Active	1	Own
106	Strathclair	13	..	13	13	27	..	12	173.00	Nil	63.53	19.35	1153.65	700.00	Dorm.	1	Own
115	Rivers	10	..	10	21	26	..	11	114.30	Nil	87.34	Nil	1090.13	700.00	Very Act.	1	Own
129	Shellmouth	10	..	10	9	12	..	3	35.00	Nil	33.58	450.00	1550.00	1250.00	Dorm.	1	Own
142	Harmony	6	..	6	5	16	..	7	35.00	Nil	192.95	Nil	257.95	500.00	Dorm.	1	Rent
152	Foxwarren	10	1	11	9	22	..	11	90.90	Nil	84.54	Nil	1800.00	1300.00	Dorm.	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1941

27	Glenwood	10	1	11	49	66	30	18	119.00	24.31	129.94	Nil	2260.00	1500.00	Active	1	Own
40	Deloraine	12	..	12	14	45	20	16	112.00	64.88	288.07	Nil	2650.07	375.00	Active	1	Rent
52	Hartney	12	2	14	30	49	25	23	285.00	Nil	11.52	Nil	1462.10	800.00	Active	1	Rent
54	Oriental	11	..	11	10	36	18	8	64.00	Nil	210.34	66.20	1403.14	600.00	Active	2	Rent
77	Napinka	11	1	12	24	29	13	26	250.00	26.00	63.02	56.60	206.42	100.00	Active	1	Rent
86	Elgin	11	1	12	9	48	17	6	115.00	40.00	211.55	Nil	551.55	Nil	Active	1	Rent
104	Reston	12	3	15	27	75	22	21	151.39	10.00	228.39	Nil	7530.61	4500.00	Active	2	Own
110	Kilwinning	11	..	11	17	28	13	9	84.00	21.40	445.31	18.00	1030.03	300.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1941

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
19	Brandon	10	3	13	68	119	23	26	152.00	91.65	956.14	153.61	7246.02	150.00	Active	1	Rent
113	Tweed	10	2	12	83	154	30	67	336.00	113.50	978.62	194.75	16781.75	None	Active	1	Rent
43	Lebanon	10	1	11	35	40	25	16	177.00	46.75	438.17	114.91	500.76	300.00	Active	1	Rent
107	Lansdowne	11	2	13	9	33	12	20	115.00	Nil	131.15	Nil	225.00	225.00	Active	1	Rent
44	Oak Lake	10	..	10	11	18	10	11	102.00	91.15	143.98	Nil	2102.00	13.00	Active	1	Own
74	Elkhorn	11	..	11	21	11	10	5	37.50	Nil	63.49	2985.10	299.74	2500.00	Active	1	Own
64	Composite	8	..	8	21	20	12	2	2.38	Nil	169.61	2.75	1406.86	1000.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1941

6	Emerson	12	1	13	27	32	19	15	269.00	Nil	341.48	Nil	4500.00	3700.00	Active	1	Own
8	King Solomon	9	1	10	30	33	18	12	144.00	12.00	28.36	Nil	2500.00	2500.00	Active	1	Own
55	East Star	9	..	9	29	15	9	11	124.00	Nil	15.00	120.00	870.00	900.00	Active	1	Own
70	Shiloh	10	..	10	24	46	25	18	168.50	113.66	586.09	Nil	1457.09	250.00	Active	1	Rent
90	Midlothian	9	..	9	24	34	12	..	Nil	20.03	166.77	139.00	861.00	200.00	Active	1	Rent
120	Penza	9	1	10	7	26	10	..	Nil	5.50	93.28	Nil	1000.00	1500.00	Active	1	Own
125	Patricia	7	2	9	7	16	11	4	Nil	71.00	60.86	40.00	620.86	300.00	Active	1	Rent
155	Carman	11	1	12	8	39	13	10	60.00	Nil	73.16	178.59	547.57	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1941

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
68	Vermillion	10	2	12	67	88	25	33	572.00	170.00	261.00	Nil	568.00	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
94	Hiram	10	1	11	20	33	15	7	52.00	120.00	265.70	52.50	2712.20	1750.00	Active	1	Own
100	Robbie Burns	10	1	11	13	17	14	16	101.00	130.00	129.41	276.95	323.05	200.00	Active	1	Rent
105	Prince Arthur	12	2	14	28	43	18	15	120.00	137.00	30.13	67.45	Nil	200.00	Very Act.	2	Rent
122	Roblin	12	..	12	6	28	12	5	45.00	17.00	51.76	Nil	700.00	750.00	Active	1	Own
128	Victory	9	1	10	17	23	12	12	104.00	Nil	112.17	30.00	374.00	300.00	Active	1	Rent
147	Jubilee	12	..	12	14	28	14	8	72.00	20.36	185.30	25.00	160.30	100.00	Active	2	Rent
126	Favel, No December report received																

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1941

2	Lisgar	10	7	17	28	91	20	21	150.00	Nil	3.85	3431.00	3221.85	5000.00	Active	1	Own
12	Stonewall	12	4	16	27	57	26	10	60.00	454.75	133.43	650.00	2143.43	1400.00	Active	1	Own
112	Ophir	12	..	12	4	56	15	12	126.00	Nil	138.99	500.00	2700.00	2500.00	Active	1	Own
123	Transcona	10	2	12	16	102	33	49	382.50	130.70	303.03	1.50	1795.16	500.00	Active	1	Rent
131	Kildonan	9	2	11	11	76	36	32	405.00	133.62	595.51	72.81	4217.76	4500.00	Active	1	Own
134	Stony Mountain	11	..	11	17	33	13	14	84.00	Nil	194.25	Nil	2834.25	1400.00	Active	1	Own
148	Seven Oaks	9	1	10	11	75	37	25	188.00	50.00	255.84	15.00	5324.69	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
151	The Dormer	9	1	10	1	43	22	8	80.00	299.00	72.97	80.95	1259.02	500.00	Active	1	Rent
154	Pine Falls	10	2	12	14	28	14	4	18.00	10.00	309.84	28.50	1555.55	400.00	Active	1	Rent
156	Manitouwapa	8	4	12	5	40	19	2	17.50	16.23	228.12	Nil	728.12	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1941

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
130	Fort Garry.....	9	1	10	29	155	50	47	522.00	77.00	369.43	Nil	3261.23	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
136	Capitol.....	9	4	13	26	133	55	10	518.00	290.00	631.09	Nil	1100.00	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
137	Lord Selkirk.....	9	1	10	21	73	41	15	255.00	70.25	528.68	297.50	3216.75	250.00	Active	1	Rent
138	Windsor.....	9	3	12	14	110	41	10	382.50	45.00	136.97	1618.34	14555.65	6400.00	Active	1	Own
139	Beaver.....	9	5	14	59	142	57	3	485.00	Nil	794.90	109.61	3767.50	500.00	Active	1	Rent
140	Meridian.....	9	3	12	35	216	48	..	590.00	14.90	677.61	137.30	9160.32	Nil	Active	1	Pt. Own.
141	Tuscan.....	9	..	9	19	51	22	18	195.00	10.00	306.91	Nil	566.90	350.00	Active	1	Rent
143	Mount Sinai.....	9	1	10	23	171	51	20	790.00	180.00	502.21	281.07	4512.14	Nil	Active	1	Rent
144	Fort Osborne....	9	4	13	21	93	37	6	231.80	147.44	317.08	25.00	3365.85	500.00	Active	1	Rent
145	Sturgeon Creek...	9	..	9	14	62	29	1	105.00	5.03	480.73	128.00	597.53	400.00	Active	1	Rent
146	Fidelity.....	9	..	9	11	99	42	4	240.00	Nil	182.65	242.70	3181.17	200.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE THREE LODGES UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF GRAND MASTER MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1941

124	The Pas.....	10	3	13	37	51	18	15	222.50	16.80	126.89	9045.67	3374.76	6000.00	Active	1	Own
132	Sprague	8	..	8	17	10	8	12	160.00	Nil	28.25	Nil	528.25	Nil	Neither Active nor Dorm.	1	Rent
153	Flin Flon.....	10	9	19	38	53	42	23	250.00	Nil	210.35	2054.75	6527.20	5000.00	Active	1	Own

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Address
Alabama	Guy T. Smith	Montgomery
Alberta	J. H. W. S. Kemmis	Calgary
Alpina	F. Muller-Ruegg	Berne, Switzerland
Arizona	Harry A. Drachman	Tucson
Arkansas	W. A. Thomas	Little Rock
British Columbia	Frank S. McKee	Vancouver
California	Lloyd E. Wilson	San Francisco
Canada (in Ontario)	Ewart G. Dixon	Hamilton, P.O. Drawer 217
Chili	Rod Castro Oliveria	Santiago
Colombia	Jose G. Fabre Carlos S. Hernandez (Ext.)	Bogota-Apartado, 2519
Colorado	Charles A. Patton	Denver
Connecticut	Winthrop Buck	Hartford
Costa Rica	Rafael Obregon Loria	San Jose, Apt. "Y"
Cuba	Dr. Constantino Pais	Havana, Apartado, 72
Czechoslovakia, N.G.L.		
Delaware	Chester R. Jones	Wilmington, 818 Market St.
Denmark	A. T. K. Troedsson	Copenhagen, 23 Blegdamsvej
District of Columbia	J. Claude Kieper	Washington, D.C.
Ecuador	Jose A. Vallejo Ycaza	Guayaquil
England	Sydney A. White	London
Egypt	Mohammed Bey Rifatt	Cairo, Box 148
Florida	Geo. W. Huff	Jacksonville
France, G. L.	Maurice Lhomme	Paris, 8 Rue Puteaux
France, N.G.L.	G. H. Hargreaves	Paris, 42 Rue de Rochechouart
Guatemala	Pedro Donis O.	Guatemala City
Georgia	Daniel W. Locklin	Macon
Honduras, C.A.	Constantino S. Ramos	Honduras, C.A.
Idaho	Clyde I. Rush	Boise, P.O. Box 1667
Illinois	R. C. Davenport	Harrisburg
Indiana	William H. Swintz	Indianapolis
Iowa	Charles C. Hunt	Cedar Rapids
Ireland	Henry C. Shellard	Dublin
Kansas	Elmer F. Strain	Topeka
Kentucky	Al. E. Orton	Louisville, 200 Shubert Bldg
Lessing Zu Den Drei Ringen.		
Louisiana	D. Peter Laguens, Jr.	New Orleans
Maine	Convers E. Leach	Portland
Manitoba	J. H. G. Russell	Winnipeg
Maryland	Claud Shaffer	Baltimore
Massachusetts	Frank H. Hilton	Boston
Mexico, York G.L.	Fred T. Berger	Mexico City, D.F. Apartado, 1986
Michigan	F. Homer Newton	Grand Rapids
Minnesota	John H. Anderson	St. Paul
Mississippi	Sid. F. Curtis	Meridian
Missouri	Arthur Mather	St. Louis, 3681 Lindell Blvd.
Montana	Luther T. Hauberg	Helena
Nebraska	Lewis E. Smith	Omaha
Netherlands	A. F. L. Faubel	The Hague
Nevada	E. C. Peterson	Carson City
New Brunswick	R. D. Magee	Saint John, P.O. Box 1430
New Hampshire	J. Melvin Dresser	Concord

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESS OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES—Continued

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Address
New Jersey	Isaac Cherry	Trenton
New Mexico	Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque
New South Wales	Jas. S. Miller	Sydney
New York	Charles H. Johnson	New York
New Zealand	H. A. Lamb	Auckland, P.O. Box 56
North Carolina	John H. Anderson	Raleigh
North Dakota	Walter L. Stockwell	Fargo
Northern China, D.G.L.	E. Philip Higgs	Shanghai, P.O. Box 417
Norway	Col. J. P. Graff-Wang	N. Voldgate 19, Oslo
Nova Scotia	James C. Jones	Halifax
Ohio	Harry S. Johnson	Cincinnati
Oklahoma	Claude A. Sturgeon	Guthrie
Oregon	D. R. Cheney	Portland
Panama	Andres Mojica	Panama, Apartado, 84
Paraiba	Augusto de Almeida Simoes	Paraiba, Brazil, P.O. Box 3
Pennsylvania	Matthew Galt, Jr.	Philadelphia
Philippine Islands	Antonio Gonzalez	Manilla, P.O. Box 990
Porto Rico	Rodolfo Ramirez Pabon	San Juan
Prince Edward Island	L. A. McDougall	Charlottetown
Quebec	W. W. Williamson	Montreal
Queensland	Leslie P. Marks	Brisbane, Box 675K. G.P.O.
Rhode Island	H. L. McAuslan	Providence
Rio de Janeiro	Dr. Daniel Corea Trindada	Rio de Janeiro, Box 2215
Santa Domingo	Jose Marie Perez Andujar	Santa Domingo
Saskatchewan	Robert A. Tate	Regina
Sao Paulo	Antonio T. DaSilva	Sao Paulo, Brazil, Box 2611
Scotland	W. King Gillies	Edinburgh
South Africa	F. L. Knight	Cape Town
South Australia	R. Owen Fox	Adelaide
South Carolina	O. Frank Hart	Columbia
South Dakota	E. F. Strain	Sioux Falls
Tasmania	W. H. Strutt	Hobart
Tennessee	Thomas E. Doss	Nashville, P.O. Box 216
Texas	George H. Belew	Waco
Utah	S. H. Goodwin	Salt Lake City
Vermont	Aaron H. Grout	Burlington
Victoria	William Stewart	Melbourne
Vienna		
Virginia	James F. Clift	Richmond
Washington	Horace W. Tyler	Tacoma
West Virginia	I. Wade Coffman	Charleston
Western Australia	A. E. Jensen	Perth
Wisconsin	William F. Weiler	Milwaukee
Wyoming	Irving E. Clark	Casper

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	Chas. H. Stubinger	Birmingham	Mar. 10, 1937
Alberta	Samuel Harris	High Prairie	Jan. 2, 1941
Alpina	Wm. Planta	Berne, Switzerland	Sept. 2, 1941
Arizona	Rev. Robt. S. Calder	Phoenix	Jan. 31, 1940
Arkansas	John H. Pinson	El-Dorado	Mar. 27, 1925
British Columbia	Donald Adams	Revelstoke	Oct. 13, 1930
Canada (in Ontario)	Frederick Cook	Ottawa	Nov. 19, 1915
Chili	Artouro de la Cruz	Santiago	Oct. 14, 1929
Colombia	Francis H. Grob	Bogota	Jan. 5, 1939
Colorado	Ira C. Foster	Montrose	Feb. 24, 1940
Connecticut	Willard A. Hunt	Forestville	April 22, 1939
Costa Rica	Iric C. Murray	San Jose	Aug. 1, 1921
Cuba, Island of	Thomas C. Sierria	Havana	June 6, 1923
Delaware	Louis S. Cain	Wilmington	Jan. 29, 1927
Denmark N.G.L.	C. E. Monrath-Oxholm	Copenhagen	Aug. 7, 1931
District of Columbia	Needham C. Tumage	Washington	July 20, 1908
Ecuador	Octavio Moran	Guayaquil	July 21, 1932
England	The Rt. Hon. Viscount de Vesci	Monk Hopton, Bridgnorth	Nov. 25, 1939
Egypt	Alfred Seffer	Cairo	Dec. 8, 1925
Florida	Frank H. Brown	Miami	Apr. 2, 1940
France, G.L.	Louis Doignon	Paris	Nov. 29, 1926
France, N.G.L.	J. C. D. Scarlett	Paris	April 26, 1936
Guatemala	Carlos A. Gieseler	Guatemala	June 10, 1925
Georgia	John A. Bishop	Atlanta	Feb. 1, 1933
Honduras, C. A.	Jesus M. Lopez	Honduras	Dec. 1, 1931
Idaho	Neil R. Fitch	Payette	Dec. 9, 1941
Illinois	G. Haven Stephens	Danville	Aug. 30, 1924
Indiana	George W. Schneider	New Albany	April 17, 1903
Ireland	David Ferris	Newry	Nov. 1, 1921
Kansas	Harold B. Groff	Topeka	Sept. 18, 1936
Kentucky	John L. Vest	Walton	Aug. 15, 1927
Louisiana	Thomas Gessner	Hammond	May 10, 1940
Maine	Porter A. Roberts	Portland	July 20, 1937
Maryland	J. Fletcher Fairbank	St. Michael's	Aug. 15, 1935
Massachusetts	Edwin O. Childs	Newton	Nov. 5, 1936
Mexico, York G.L.	R. B. E. Turnbull	Mexico City	July 6, 1933
Michigan	Louis Anderson	Omena	June 1, 1932
Minnesota	Lloyd Peabody	St. Paul	Nov. 29, 1931
Mississippi	A. F. Copeland	Leland	April 19, 1932
Missouri	Harris C. Johnston	Boonville	Nov. 16, 1936
Montana	W. J. Johnston	Thompson Falls	July 8, 1937
Nebraska	John A. Van Anda	Freemont	May 18, 1938
Netherlands	K. G. Jorksveld	Utrecht	Feb. 2, 1939
Nevada	Sam. P. Kafoury	Reno	June 2, 1933
New Brunswick	Donald Munro	Woodstock	April 20, 1892
New Hampshire	Walter C. Chesley	Northwood	April 10, 1934
New Jersey	James F. Russell	Jersey City	April 1, 1923
New Mexico	Earl A. Turner	Las Vegas	July 8, 1937
New South Wales	E. E. Cupit	Sydney	Oct. 13, 1923
New York	C. H. G. Sorge	New York	Feb. 2, 1942
New Zealand	Gilbert T. Bull	Gisborne	Oct. 15, 1909
North Carolina	J. L. Peacock	Tarboro	July 1935

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES—Continued

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
North Dakota	Paul B. Griffiths	Grand Forks	Jan. 5, 1939
Norway	Jans W. Berg	Oslo	Nov. 1, 1924
Nova Scotia	W. E. Thompson	Halifax	April 18, 1934
Ohio	William H. Maddox	Roseville	April 15, 1939
Oklahoma	Clyde Ray	Tulsa	Sept. 29, 1937
Oregon	Wilmot K. Royal	Portland	Dec. 4, 1933
Panama	Raymond L. Toledano	Panama	Dec. 1, 1926
Paraiba	Dr. Arlindo Correa	Paraiba, Brazil	July 10, 1939
Philippine Islands	Gonzalo T. Vales	Manila	Feb. 6, 1940
Puerto Rico	George W. Robert	San Juan	Oct. 1, 1917
Prince Edward Island	Donald Baker	Summerside	May 8, 1936
Quebec	W. R. Allen	Montreal	Jan. 14, 1918
Queensland	William K. McLuckie	Brisbane	June 1, 1923
Rhode Island	Harold L. McAuslan	Providence	April 16, 1928
Rio de Janeiro	Leon Benshat	Rio de Janeiro	Feb. 20, 1931
Sao Paulo	Carlos Reis Filho	Sao Paulo, Brazil	Jan. 5, 1939
Saskatchewan	Wm. O. Fraser	Oxbow	Nov. 25, 1941
Scotland	Rev. Hugh F. Reid	Chirnside	Jan. 8, 1930
South Australia	E. J. Copping	Adelaide	Aug. 1, 1930
South Carolina	William W. Gregory	Inman	May 15, 1934
South Dakota	W. D. Swain	Sioux Falls	Jan. 15, 1937
Tasmania	R. V. W. Green	Launceston	April 24, 1928
Tennessee	Ira Parker	Nashville	Mar. 1, 1932
Texas	J. W. Pender	Denton	Mar. 1, 1931
Utah	R. W. Macdonald	Park City	April 7, 1938
Vermont	Charles B. Adams	Waterbury	Feb. 5, 1923
Victoria	Edgar J. Carter	Melbourne	Sept. 10, 1934
Virginia	R. A. Hutchison	Manassas	Mar. 27, 1942
Washington	A. E. Emerson	Ellenburg	Dec. 8, 1916
West Virginia	Charles B. Ahrens	Wheeling	Aug. 17, 1939
Western Australia	Arthur G. Stiles	Perth	Aug. 16, 1934
Wisconsin	Ray H. Watson	Milwaukee	May 1, 1939

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	Francis H. Dagg	Holland	Mar. 31, 1920
Alberta	Hugh M. Kerr	Brandon	Nov. 25, 1930
Alpina (Switzerland)	W. C. Birt	Winnipeg	Oct. 22, 1930
Arizona	E. G. Hunt	Winnipeg	June 21, 1923
Arkansas	Jas. D. Harrower	Wawanesa	Feb. 25, 1941
British Columbia	Rev. Chas. E. Somerset	Selkirk	June 10, 1924
Canada (in Ontario)	W. D. Lawrence	Winnipeg	Sept. 13, 1940
Chili	N. J. Black	Winnipeg	May 13, 1920
Colorado	K. R. Kennedy	Winnipeg	Mar. 5, 1938
Connecticut	M. S. Donovan	Brandon	May 21, 1935
Costa Rica	R. McKenzie	Roland	May 30, 1923
Cuba	J. Morgan Davies	Winnipeg	May 27, 1940
Czechoslovakia			
Delaware	John Coulter	Treherne	April 2, 1915
Denmark	Stanley H. Fahrni	Gladstone	Oct. 17, 1930
District of Columbia	A. H. Steventon	Winnipeg	May 18, 1932
Ecuador	C. Weichman	Treherne	June 1935
England	Justice Wm. J. Major	Winnipeg	June 12, 1935
Egypt	Edward T. Hardman	Oak River	June 2, 1934
Florida	Hon. Robert Hawkins	Dauphin	Aug. 16, 1937
France, N.G.L.	Chas. H. Midwinter	Winnipeg	Mar. 3, 1937
France, G.L.			
Guatemala	J. J. Sinclair	Winnipeg	
Georgia	J. H. G. Russell	Winnipeg	June 1, 1928
Honduras	A. G. Cowan	Winnipeg	Oct. 17, 1930
Idaho	Hector French	Stony Mountain	June 1, 1928
Illinois	William R. Leslie	Morden	June 21, 1931
Indiana	Sydney A. Wood	Winnipeg	May 16, 1940
Ireland	John T. Boyd	Winnipeg	Oct. 3, 1935
Kansas	Jabez Miller	Winnipeg	June 15, 1914
Kentucky	James L. Lawson	Winnipeg	June 24, 1927
Lessing Zu Den Drei Ringen			
Louisiana	Charles E. Cole	Portage la Prairie	Feb. 28, 1938
Maine	W. D. Harper	Emerson	Jan. 19, 1937
Maryland	Norman McDougall	Emerson	April 29, 1930
Massachusetts	Rev. Geo. W. Findlay	Winnipeg	May 1, 1929
Mexico, York G.L.	M. A. Nitikman	Winnipeg	May 23, 1940
Michigan	Dr. O. S. Ross	Virden	Mar. 1, 1941
Minnesota	Ben C. Parker	Winnipeg	Jan. 13, 1938
Mississippi	George N. Jackson	Winnipeg	Mar. 30, 1902
Missouri	Maris H. Garton	Boissevain	Jan. 31, 1934
Montana	M. S. Watson	Deloraine	Feb. 26, 1941
Nebraska	Hugh Mackenzie	Winnipeg	Nov. 15, 1935
Netherlands	A. L. Crossin	Winnipeg	July 9, 1921
Nevada	Thomas A. Argue	Winnipeg	June 10, 1924
New Brunswick	Canon Geo. R. Calvert	Winnipeg	April 27, 1938
New Hampshire	George Hunter	Winnipeg	Dec. 6, 1926
New Jersey	Wm. G. Corbett	Stonewall	May 27, 1940
New Mexico	H. B. Donnelly	Winnipeg	July 1937
New South Wales	James Mackie	Winnipeg	June 10, 1921
New York	Rev. Geo. A. Woodside	Winnipeg	May 14, 1932
New Zealand	Samuel Burland	Winnipeg	Mar. 22, 1937
North Carolina	Robert Peel	Miniota	Sept. 4, 1941
North Dakota	J. Frank Dart	Winnipeg	Jan. 18, 1937

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA—Continued

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Norway	J. P. McKinnon	Macgregor	Oct. 24, 1920
Nova Scotia	David S. Woods	Winnipeg	Oct. 13, 1926
Ohio	Arthur E. Boyle	Winnipeg	June 10, 1924
Oklahoma	Harry M. Smith	Melita	Feb. 24, 1941
Oregon	J. James Henderson	Shoal Lake	June 20, 1924
Paraiba	Wm. L. Cann	Virden	Aug. 1938
Philippine Islands	Rev. James S. Miller	Stony Mountain	May 15, 1921
Panama	Hon. I. B. Griffith	Binscarth	Oct. 23, 1926
Puerto Rico	George V. Henderson	Strathclair	July 5, 1941
Prince Edward Island	Thomas R. Falconer	Deloraine	May 7, 1931
Quebec	Harvey T. Waters	Winnipeg	May 17, 1940
Queensland	Eli E. Spencer	Morden	Jan. 19, 1934
Rhode Island	John R. Stalker	Shoal Lake	Aug. 15, 1926
Rio de Janeiro	William Cairns	Macgregor	Oct. 23, 1920
Santa Domingo	William G. Shaw	Elgin	May 30, 1932
Saskatchewan	Alex. Burgess	Winnipeg	Jan. 21, 1937
Scotland	William Douglas	Winnipeg	1936
South Australia	Daniel Hawe	Benito	Jan. 14, 1931
South Carolina	Chas. R. Sayer	Winnipeg	May 20, 1940
South Dakota	Thos. Stockdale	Winnipeg	
Tasmania	John Parton	Winnipeg	1936
Tennessee	James S. MacEwing	Treherne	Oct. 15, 1913
Texas	H. G. Kilpatrick	Forrest	Feb. 14, 1941
Utah	Donald MacDonald	Ninette	May 24, 1941
Vermont	Dr. Frank K. Purdie	Griswold	May 13, 1932
Victoria	Andrew Manson	Shoal Lake	Feb. 2, 1922
Vienna			
Virginia	Harry Woods	Winnipeg	Aug. 7, 1935
Washington	George R. Mackay	Winnipeg	May 20, 1929
West Virginia	William Fenwick	Brandon	Dec. 29, 1898
Western Australia	John Watson	Portage la Prairie	May 15, 1918
Wisconsin	Wm. J. Edwards	Winnipeg	May 20, 1940

MASONIC REVIEWS 1941-1942

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

HUGH M. KERR
Chairman

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence fraternally submit its annual report and items of interest from Grand Lodge Proceedings received.

Consequent on paper savings your committee has abandoned the former method of individual reviews.

A great deal of attention is being given to the solution of one of our problems—that of the unattached and also suspended brethren—and it would appear that a determined effort is being made to solve this problem.

Prior to the initiation of candidates, many Grand Lodges require the subordinate Lodges to give the candidates a preliminary statement concerning Freemasonry which must be read before signing the petition.

We are also including an Addenda on Masonry in Europe which we hope will be of interest to the brethren.

Fraternally submitted,

H. M. KERR,
Chairman.

N.B.—These Reviews include all Proceedings received up to the 1st of June, 1942.

MASONIC SITUATION IN EUROPE

During the past hundred and fifty years, Masonry has not been countenanced in Russia, and the former Russian provinces of Latvia, Lithunania and Estonia, now under Russian influence.

In Hungary, another dictator country, Freemasonry was abolished some fifteen years ago on the excuse that some of the Lodges had been active politically. The fine Grand Lodge building in Budapest was converted into a Labor Temple.

In Turkey, Freemasonry was suppressed five or six years ago by the late Kemel Ataturk, and no masonic organizations exists there of which we have any knowledge.

In Italy, both the Grand Orient of Italy and the Grand Lodge of Italy were dissolved by Mussolini, with ruthlessness. A number of distinguished brethren were murdered in cold blood for no reason except their connection with the Order. The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge was exiled, became blind, and later died in prison.

In the recently seized Kingdom of Albania, Masonry has never been organized, and of course does not exist under Italian rule.

In Spain also Freemasonry has been suppressed by Dictator Franco. During the civil war there was much testimony to the effect that whenever the insurgents occupied a town they shot or murdered in the most diabolical way, all Masons whom they could identify, and even those related to them. Masonry was classed along with communism and all its property confiscated. Members of the Order were required to file a statement with the government within two months, explaining why they joined the Order and why they left it. If their excuse was not acceptable to the government, they were made liable to six years imprisonment, or twelve years if they had received higher degrees, or held a position of special trust, or attended international meetings.

In Germany, where Masonry once flourished under seven Grand Lodges, Hitler ordered the dissolution of all Masonic Lodges shortly after he came into power in 1934. Some of these bodies tried to continue their existence under other names, but they were compelled to dissolve and all properties were confiscated.

Turning now to the rest of Europe, we find that in Austria, whose Grand Lodge of Vienna was fraternally recognized by us, the Germans seized the Headquarters on the first day of their occupation, placed the Grand Master in an

internment camp, where he died as the result of an operation, and confiscated all property and effects belonging to the Order.

When Czecho-Slovakia was seized the two Grand Lodges voluntarily agreed to dissolve, these were the Grand Lodge of Czecho-Slovakia and the Grand Lodge Lessing of the Three Rings.

In Denmark, with whose Grand Lodge—headed by the King as Grand Master—we have enjoyed fraternal relations, we very much doubt whether the Grand Lodge of Denmark dare function as such during the present German "protective occupation" so-called.

The same statement must be made respecting Norway and the Grand Lodge of Norway, and respecting Holland and the Grand Lodge of Netherlands. In spite of much insolent and annoying underground agitation before the occupation of these countries and outright opposition since, we have no doubt that in Denmark, Norway and Holland, Masonry will live again.

In Sweden, in spite of the fact that the King is Grand Master and the Crown Prince and other members of the Royal family are officers of the Grand Lodge, Masonry has had to face sharp and malicious anti-Masonic influences.

In Finland, the small Grand Lodge of Finland has had a struggle for an existance against communistic and Nazi attacks; but here too, we believe that when victory is achieved over the evil forces which seem now to dominate the world, Masonry will be restored to favor.

In Belgium, the Grand Orient of Belgium, because of its removal some years ago of the Holy Bible from its altars, has cut itself off from all other regular Grand Lodges. While isolated by reason of the German occupation and because of religious reasons as well, this Grand Lodge which faced a similar catastrophe, will undoubtedly some day regain its freedom and be re-established.

In France, there are three Grand Lodges, the Grand Orient of France, the Grand Lodge of France and the National Grand Lodge of France and its dependencies. The last was formed about 1918 and was sponsored by the Grand Lodge of England.

The Grand Orient, because it has been active politically, has not been considered regular and does not adhere to the fundamentals of Freemasonry, such as belief in God, the presence in the lodge of the V.S.L., etc.; it has been involved in several unsavory scandals such as the Stavisky affair. Against all three bodies there is considerable anti-Masonic agitation, but the probability is that all three will survive and be stronger when France has purged itself of the Hun influence.

Switzerland, with its Grand Lodge Alpina, recognized by this Grand Lodge, is a bright spot in European Masonry. Here strong anti-Masonic, Fascist and Communistic action forced the government to take a referendum on the continuance of the institution. The scandalous charges against the Order were completely answered by the Masonic authorities, and the result of referendum was the emergence of the Order stronger than ever. Switzerland may go down in the maelstrom of the present war, but Europe without Switzerland is not probable, and Masonry will again flourish when the conflict is over.

In Greece, Bulgaria, Jugo-Slavia, and the Balkans the situation obscures the light and we must await developments.

MEMBERSHIP

ALBERTA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Your committee desires once again to caution the lodges on Life Membership and while it must be admitted that the majority of the lodges have been very judicious in making Life Members, yet we note there are several who in our estimation have more than passed the danger mark in this

respect. One lodge reports a third of its members have been made Life Members. Unfortunately the lodges jeopardizing their financial status in Life Members are those who can least afford to do so.

WASHINGTON, 1941 (Grand Master)

Of twenty-eight amendments to By-Laws presented for approval, ten were reducing the fees for the degrees; eight of these reduced the fees to the minimum prescribed by the Code, i.e., $30.00, which make 65 of our 268 Lodges with their fees reduced to that amount. Exclusive of Research Lodge No. 281, which has a prohibitive fee to discourage petitioners, our maximum is $120.00. The average is about $50.00, and 90 of our Lodges charge that fee.

The reason given for these reductions, in every instance, is the desire to attract more petitioners. Some local situations may make this the wise and proper thing to do. Personally, I am convinced that in most cases, if more consideration were given by the officers, and the Master particularly, to the development of a programme that would increase the value of the Lodge to its members, it would not be necessary to reduce fees to secure petitioners. Sometimes even at $30.00, I question whether the candidate gets his money's worth; and yet I know that we can, if we will, give our candidates a conception of Masonry and its purposes, that will make the amount of the fee, no matter how large, seem insignificant.

I am not saying that conditions may not sometimes warrant a reduction of our fees to the minimum, I am saying that before a Lodge reduces fees it should make a survey of just what it is giving the candidate for his money, and see whether the answer is not in increasing what they give, rather than in lowering what they take.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1941 (Grand Secretary)

You will be pleased to learn that for the first time since 1930, we show a net increase in our membership. There is an

explanation for this gain. The date for suspending members for the non-payment of dues was not changed when the date for closing the annual report was set for December 31. Consequently, the suspensions which took place at the March meetings of the constituent Lodges will appear in the report of a year hence. The suspensions that do show in this report were mostly made at the proper time but were made effective as of December 31, 1940, and consequently are included herein.

There is another factor to be considered and that is the increases which heretofore have taken place during January, February and March, and do not show here, will appear in the coming year's report and these increases may go a long way toward off-setting suspension losses.

INDIANA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Investigating Committee: There is no doubt that the duty performed by a Committee appointed to investigate the qualifications of a petitioner is the most important of any committee now functioning within our several Lodges. Various means have been provided and distributed to serve as a guide for members of these committees, but in my opinion it should be the recognized responsibility of this committee to inform the petitioner that, should he become a member, through initiation, that he will be required not only to conform to the various forms and ceremonies of the several Degrees, but also to pay annually to his Lodge a certain amount of money for dues. I am convinced after many inquiries that some members of our Fraternity, who have become delinquent, were never informed that it was required that annual dues be collected by the Lodge and, consequently, having had no previous advice of this requirement, these members became delinquent due to their not being advised of this requirement.

I believe it would be proper for candidates to be fully advised on this matter.

NEBRASKA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Reinstatements: One hundred and seventeen applications for reinstatement, after suspension for more than three years for non-payment of dues, have been approved. It is gratifying to note that these reinstatements have originated in Lodges in all parts of this Grand Jurisdiction. The approval was only granted after these applications had been carefully checked and approved by the Advisory Committee on Reinstatement. In some cases this entailed quite a lot of work in order to get full information before the granting of the approval. Information with reference to names, dates, and Lodges is in the hands of the Advisory Committee.

CANADA in Ontario, 1941 (Committee Condition of Masonry)

Membership: With profound regret it is noted that the Membership in this Grand Jurisdiction has again decreased. This is not a situation peculiar to this Grand Lodge. The same falling off has been experienced elsewhere in Canada. By way of contrast the seven Grand Lodges of Australasia have had an increase of nearly 5,000.

The losses by deaths and suspensions for non-payment of dues account for many, but it is evident that replacements in the way of new candidates are not sufficient to make up the difference.

Many of our young men are on active service with the Country's Forces. Perhaps this has caused a falling off of candidates.

Has Masonry lost its appeal to young men? If so, there must be a reason. Can it be that Masons are such in name only and that the silent influence of those within the Craft is diminishing.

Attendance: The small attendance at ordinary Lodge meetings is a vexed question for which no panacea has yet been found. The report of this Committee dealt with the matter exhaustively last year. D.D.G.M.'s generally indicate an improvement in attendance.

The industrial expansion together with longer working hours might cause many to absent themselves, but on the contrary many seek within the quiet of the Lodge room relief and another kind of comradeship. Here the beauty of ritual and service afford to such brethren something obtained nowhere else—refreshment for mind and spirit.

There are men who have been Masons from 65 to 70 years attending nearly all the regular meetings of their Lodge. Such are an example and inspiration.

This is a question to which the Master and Wardens of all Lodges should give the closest attention.

Candidates: The quality of candidates has been satisfactory. The only way to keep it so is to make extensive and thorough inquiries when the applications are received. It is the aim to have only the best men admitted to the Order. This can only be done through eternal vigilance, because the admission of one whose public and private life is entirely at variance with the teachings of Masonry brings dishonor to the good name of the institution and drives away others whose influence would enhance its tone and character.

We do not ask what a man's religion is, nor what his political leanings are, but we do require that he must be of good character, that he believes in God, that he is a good and law-abiding citizen, that he is loyal to his Country and the King.

We cannot welcome men of narrow mind, cranks or extremists, men with kinks or trouble-makers. However, we do welcome men of genial disposition; men who desire friendship and can give friendship; men who can contribute something of spiritual value; men with a sense of appreciation.

OHIO, 1941 (Grand Master)

Reinstatements: Believing that hundreds of former members who lost their membership during the lean years of the depression would be willing and anxious to be restored

to good standing in their Lodge if they were acquainted with the simple manner and easy terms on which their reinstatement could be effected, we have given particular attention to the plan which we thought would make the most direct appeal and secure the best results.

The plan adopted for this portion of our programme, called for a procedure different from the customary appeal of the District Deputy Grand Master at the request and suggestion of the Grand Master. It required the active co-operation of the District Deputy Grand Master and the officers, or a Special Committee, from the Subordinate Lodges.

I am happy to say that, as a whole, the Masters and Secretaries accepted the programme with enthusiasm, and many of them began immediately to put into operation the plan which produced results beyond their expectations. I was pleased to receive letters from the Secretaries of several Lodges stating that they had so well taken care of their membership that it was not necessary for them to make use of our plan, but that they heartily approved it. Hundreds of letters came to me from former members expressing their grateful appreciation for the opportunity to regain their membership and position of good standing in their Lodges. Although our year closed on July 31st, I believe Lodges are still reaping benefits from this campaign.

The success of this portion of our programme depended entirely upon the co-operation and support of both our Deputies and the Lodges. The results attained are proof of your co-operation, and I wish to express to all who had any part in the achievement of such results the gratitude and appreciation of your Grand Lodge.

We hope you will realize, however, that the ensuing years will require your alert attention if our former experience is not to be repeated. Let us close our ranks, consolidate our gains, and recognize that the future protection of our Order requires constant vigilance on the part of each of us.

The Grand Master is also happy to report a gratifying increase in membership, a net gain of 1,409

TENNESSE, 1942 (Grand Master)

The Grand Master reports, for the first time since 1928, a net gain in membership of 562.

TEXAS, 1941 (Grand Master)

I admonished the brethren to guard well the doors to our Sanctuary and urged a rigid investigation and scrutiny into the character of every applicant who sought and requested the privileges of Freemasonry, stating that we must ascertain that those who entered our Lodges for the first time are actuated by honorable motives so that they would appreciate the objects and ideals of our Institution and they must be men who are worthy of our friendship and trust and should be men whom we as Masons are willing to associate with at all times under all conditions in the private walks of life, that close attention must be paid to the ballot-boxes; that we should not overlook every opportunity to ally ourselves as Freemasons in all movements of moral and spiritual advance, quoting for the reflection of our brethren these few lines:

"Do not live to make a living,
Rather live to make a life,
For the measure of succeeding
Is your service in the strife;
All that you leave behind you,
When your soul has crossed the bay,
Is the good you've done to others
As you tarried by the way."

TEXAS, 1941 (Grand Secretary)

The Grand Secretary reports continued progress, and healthy condition of the Craft is again evidenced by a substantial net increase 6,846 in membership and equally substantial decrease in the amount of delinquent dues outstanding.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1941 (Grand Master)
WASHINGTON

An occasional Lodge was formed on December 16th in Washington, D.C., for the purpose of making Masons at sight. This meeting had been called for the purpose of conferring the degrees on Bros. Jesse H. Jones, Secretary of Commerce and Federal Loan Agency Administrator, and General George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, United States Army.

ENGLAND, 1942 (Board of General Purposes)

LODGES OF GRAND LODGE REGISTER

	London	Provincial	District and Abroad	Total
1932	1,146	2,836	714	4,696
1933	1,164	2,863	715	4,742
1934	1,184	2,910	721	4,815
1935	1,204	2,955	731	4,890
1936	1,221	2,990	732	4,943
1937	1,241	3,021	735	4,997
1938	1,258	3,067	735	5,060
1939	1,281	3,109	739	5,129
1940	1,281	3,115	739	5,135
1941	1,282	3,120	739	5,141

GRAND LODGE CERTIFICATES

	Issued at Freemasons' Hall	Issued by Dist. Grand Masters	Total
1932	15,237	1,856	17,093
1933	14,074	1,918	15,992
1934	14,153	1,741	15,894
1935	13,555	1,737	15,292
1936	14,003	1,492	15,495
1937	14,077	1,452	15,529
1938	14,127	1,686	15,813
1939	12,064	1,584	13,648
1940	10,624	1,618	12,242
1941	10,154	1,531	11,685

CONDITION OF FREEMASONRY

ALBERTA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Masonry in our Jurisdiction continues to show a healthy condition, although we have again to report a loss in membership. We have not yet reached the plane desired and there are many things yet to be done to place our Lodges upon the sound basis on which we would like to have them. Lodges are exercising due care in the selection of candidates and too much emphasis cannot be placed on the importance of such. This care might even affect our personal relations in some instances.

A Masonic Lodge can and should be a factor in the life of its community, not through any concerted action on the part of the lodge itself, but rather through the exemplary conduct of its members. The Institution as a whole is often judged by the actions of an individual, and when we assume the obligations of a Mason, we are responsible not to oursleves alone, but to those brethren with whom we are associated.

I would like to refer at this time to the practice of initiating a candidate on the same night his application is balloted upon. I doubt very much whether it is advisable to do this as I have seen very embarrassing situations as a consequence. It is better in my opinion to initiate the candidate, if accepted, at a subsequent meeting of the lodge. After all, surely he can wait a short time longer before being initiated.

I find some lodges do not adhere to the requirements of the Constitution advising their members regarding an applicant to tbe balloted on for membership. This omission has been drawn to the attention of the lodges who have been requested to comply with the necssary requirement.

ILLINOIS, 1941 (Grand Master)

It is very evident that conditions are improving each day—lodges are again conferring degrees, dues are being

collected regularly, suspensions are at a minimum, and reinstatements are in order in every section of the state—not only have the members of the Fraternity co-operated with the lodges in paying their back dues, but the lodges themselves have come to the front with fine co-operation with the Grand Lodge.

WISCONSIN, 1941 (Grand Master)

Numerically we show no advance. When you hear the report of the Grand Secretary, you will note a small loss in numbers. Numbers have never been the goal of Masons. First and always we seek to attract quality. With that as a basic requirement, we are happy when we may also enjoy an increase in numbers.

In recent months, due somewhat to the call to the Colors for military training, our mail has brought many letters from Masters and Secretaries of lodges throughout the state regarding applications received from fine young men. Such reports are gratifying and heartening. Let us never be anxious for numbers.

The financial progress has been very satisfactory, lodges are in better position as to their obligations to the Grand Lodge than for years past.

MONTANA, 1941 (Grand Master)

He reports having visited the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, at Grand Forks, and refers to the very able address delivered by our Grand Master M.W. Bro. Rev. Canon George R. Calvert.

Among the Commissions issued we notice Rt. Wor. Bro. M. S. Watson, LLD., Deloraine Lodge, has been appointed to represent the Grand Lodge of Montana near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

This is the seventy-fifth—Diamond Anniversary—of this Grand Lodge. M.W. Bro. Lew L. Callaway, P.G.M., addressed the Grand Lodge on its history since its formation on January 24th and 29th, 1866.

LOUISIANA, 1941 (Grand Master)

I am happy to state that Freemasonry is still a vital, living force in the Grand Jurisdiction of Louisiana, materially affecting the lives and souls of its votaries and those with whom they have relationship and contact. In the main, the lodges have been active with ritualistic work and other programmes for the edification and interest of the Craft, and everywhere a fine spirit of fraternity was evidenced.

WASHINGTON, 1941 (Grand Master)

Shoulder to shoulder, elective and appointive officers of Grand Lodge, District Deputies, Masters and officers of lodges, and the brethren on the side lines, we have all worked together in a common cause;—the advancement of Masonry. Brethren, you have succeeded; for despite the figures from the Grand Secretary's office, showing a decrease in membership, it is my conviction that there is more Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction than there was a year ago; that at this time in 1942 there will be still more; and in 1943, still more; and it will continue to grow with each succeeding year.

CALIFORNIA, 1941 (Grand Master)

While there are still too many Masonic temples in the Jurisdiction which are not on sound financial ground, I am glad to report that they are becoming fewer in number each year, due to the work of the Committee on Financing Building Projects, and that the new temples which are being erected are being built upon sound financial structures, again largely due to the work of this excellent committee.

The membership situation throughout the Jurisdiction is somewhat improved over last year. While it is true that we still show a loss, it is much smaller than in 1940. We show an increase in the number of initiations, passings and raisings. There is also a slight increase in the number of reinstatements and a decrease in the number of losses due to suspensions.

VERMONT, 1941 (Acting Grand Master)

Our losses in membership continue but at a much less accelerated rate. The loss this year is two hundred and thirty-five, while the average of the last six years is three hundred and eleven. This would indicate that conditions are improving and that with a return of some degree of prosperity, our losses will soon be more than offset by gains in membership. Our greatest loss in membership comes through death. Suspensions account for the second greatest loss, with demissions in third place. It would appear that the demissions and suspensions account for too many of our losses. Losses from these sources average about three per lodge or approximately two per cent of the total membership while losses from death average somewhat more than two per cent. The net loss in total members during each of the last two years has been nearly one and one-half per cent. These figures, though only approximate, show what the lodges must do to maintain their memberships without net losses. Their average gains in membership must be increased by at least two per cent, or their average losses must be cut to a minimum or both. I do not believe it is sound policy to prevent losses in membership by remitting dues when the members, whose dues are remitted, are reasonably able to pay. Such policy might well lead to the complete extinction of a lodge.

We give it as our judgment that Masonic conditions over the entire State have definitely improved since last we met in Grand Lodge. The conditions of agriculture during the last crop season were immeasurably improved and this better economic situation has been reflected in our Masonic

lodges. Many a lodge which has not had a petition for degrees in years, has welcomed not only one or two petitions, but frequently many times that number, and we believe that this has been more evident since the New Year, 1941, than during 1940, for which our current reports are made. Yet the year 1940 shows the smallest net loss in over a decade. The total increase is 447, of which 222 are newly made Masons, as against a total decrease of 625, a net loss of 178 and a membership December 31, 1940, of 10,759.

We do not desire to leave the impression that numbers are everything but we all know that there is such a thing as "morale" and that it is seriously affected by a continuous downward curve. Let us renew our Faith in Masonry and be sure to make our beautiful degrees more effective agencies in building better men.

MISSOURI, 1941 (Grand Master)

A study of the Grand Secretary's report reveals that 1,723 candidates have received the Master Mason Degree, that there have been 542 affiliations, and 1,137 reinstatements, making a total of 3,402 during the Masonic year just closed. The deductions consist of 658 demissions, 1,571 deaths, 1,854 suspensions for non-payment of dues, 1 suspension for un-Masonic conduct, and 7 expulsions, a total of 4,091. The report further shows a net loss of 689.

I am glad to note that the lodges in the country are coming to the front, and that there is also improvement in the lodges in the metropolitan areas. From all corners of the State I have encountered enthusiasm, for the lodges are working, and interest in our Institution is daily improving.

Another year, with the same ratio of progress shown during the last year, will probably bring us from the red into the black. Freemasonry, as never before, is needed in this great country of ours, and I feel sure that we are definitely on the up-grade.

It is exceedingly gratifying to see the gap between the increase and the decrease slowly approaching the black figures.

ARIZONA, 1941 (Grand Master)

The past year has witnessed the suppression and persecution of Freemasonry in lands that have fallen victim to aggressor nations. We who are still free, have an added responsibility to keep the flame of liberty burning brightly. I am happy to report that there has been a quickening of the true Masonic spirit in this Grand Jurisdiction. It was evident in every lodge, in the demeanor of every Freemason. The officers of the subordinate lodges were both efficient and enthusiastic. The trend in membership appears to be now curving upward but more important than numerical strength is the evident desire of the Craft to make Freemasonry, through them, minister to the needs of our strife-torn world. The task ahead may be filled with sacrifice and heart-aches but I sincerely believe that you will fill your places as men and Masons with honor to the Fraternity.

MAINE, 1941 (Grand Master)

It is gratifying to report that there has been an increase in attendance of both members and officers, particularly the latter and the quality of work has generally been good. Raisings have increased and suspensions for non-payment of dues are less than for several years, while there still are some lodges which need attention, we consider that the Fraternity as a whole is making steady progress and we are hopeful that this improvement will continue.

FLORIDA, 1941 (Grand Master)

I am pleased to report that the scars of an unhealthy period of mushroom growth are fast disappearing. From personal contact with most of our lodges and lodge officers in this Grand Jurisdiction, I am able to say definitely that there is unmistakable evidence of a general revival of interest and activity.

I also report that we have had an increase in membership for the third successive year, not in great numbers, but solid and healthy, reminiscent of the sound, solid growth of yesteryears.

INDIANA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Interest in the Fraternity by its members has been much in evidence during the past year. This is reflected by the activity in practically every lodge in our Jurisdiction. Petitioners in ever increasing numbers are seeking admission into our several lodges and, for the first time since 1929, I am permitted to announce that our membership has increased and not decreased. The year of 1940 reflects an increase in membership of 106. I have been impressed during my visitations to the several lodges by the renewed interest, both in ritualistic and social functions. I have, upon all occasions, endeavored to give assistance to the officers and members of our several lodges as to feasible programmes which they might adopt that would increase the interest of the membership. I have received reports from many of these lodges that, by giving their membership first consideration by providing interesting and instructive programmes, attendance had been materially increased. Lodges are maintained for one purpose only; for the broad education, including charity, of all its membership and the Worshipful Master who realizes this fact and programmes the activities of his lodge accordingly will never want for attendance.

OREGON, 1941 (Grand Master)

Lodge Attendance: Reports coming to me disclose that there has been a general awakening of lodge interest throughout the entire Grand Jurisdiction, and that lodge attendance has been noticeably increased. At the close of each succeeding year for the past eleven years we have consistently shown a loss in membership. We are gratified to report that the records this year disclose a net gain. We feel that our turning point is here and that the forward march will continue.

COLORADO, 1941 (Grand Master)

The Grand Master reported that he had been able to visit 144 of the 147 constituent lodges and is satisfied that the lodges are in a healthy condition.

GEORGIA, 1941 (Grand Master)

I am happy to be able to report to this Grand Lodge that there has been a considerable gain in membership up to the present moment. I am sure that this will probably continue. World conditions being what they are, it is highly probable that an increasing number of young men, when brought face to face with the most serious decisions of life, will find something solidly helpful in the ideals and teachings of Freemasonry.

May I express the hope that Free Masons in Georgia will continue their exacting care in selecting our membership from among those who are impressed by the opportunity for service to the Craft, and a genuine aspiration toward those finer qualities of character which Masonry for generations has tried to build.

UTAH, 1941 (Grand Master)

The Grand Master reports that generally the condition of Freemasonry in Utah is good, and also that he has been able to visit officially every lodge in his Jurisdiction.

KANSAS, 1942 (Grand Master)

This is a subject that cannot be covered adequately in a brief report. Conditions vary greatly in different localities. It is encouraging to note that many lodges that were having a difficult struggle a few years ago are now showing great improvement. On the other hand, we have several lodges that are practically dormant, and efforts to revive them have not been successful.

The great majority are in a healthy condition, and face the future with every prospect for continued success. In most communities the spirit of Masonic zeal is most encouraging.

The principal difference between success and failure in a lodge is the difference between zeal and indifference. Even the best lodges have indifferent members—those who pay dues (perhaps with a little urging from the Secretary), and are otherwise inactive. As the proportion of such members increases, the lodge functions with more and more difficulty. There is no proper place in a Masonic lodge for the indifferent member. In some isolated instances, the lodge may be better off without him, but in the vast majority of cases the proper solution is to arouse his interest.

Are we doing our full duty to our indifferent brethren? We have excellent facilities for imparting instruction in the esoteric work, but it takes something in addition to ritualistic instruction to make a zealous Mason. It requires that the Masonic votary shall become imbued with the conviction that Masonry can and will make him wiser, better and happier, that he shall be led to accept the precepts of Masonry as guiding principles of his life, that he shall be animated by the purpose to uphold those principles in his daily walk and conversation, and that he shall have a genuine desire to participate in the activities of his lodge.

I am persuaded that our Grand Lodge and its membership can do more than we have been doing to better the condition of our Order. I do not propose any definite formula, because measures that will succeed in one locality may be unsuited to another. A well organized speakers' bureau, under proper supervision by Grand Lodge Officers, could utilize the abundant talent within our Jurisdiction, and would fill a long-felt need in many places. In localities where the spirit of Masonry has become dormant, much patient and persevering work may be required to arouse the slumbering sense of responsibility. Each member of this Grand Lodge should feel it to be his individual duty to contribute of his time, talents and influence toward transforming the indifferent brethren within the circle of his acquaintance into zealous Masons.

WHAT IS WRONG WITH FREEMASONRY

ALBERTA, 1941 (Grand Master)

One often hears the question asked, "What is wrong with Freemasonry?" In reply, I have asked the question, "Is anything wrong with Freemasonry?" If the Masons who ask the question, "What is wrong with Freemasonry?" will first give serious consideration to the reason why they do not get the pleasure and satisfaction from Masonry which they had anticipated, or had perhaps at one time enjoyed, they might be able to find the answer. Our greatest need is not more Masons, but better Masons—Masons who will take their vows seriously, who are willing to work for Masonry and ask no reward save the satisfaction which comes from the consciousness in having done their part towards making this world of ours a better and a happier place in which to live. If we do this, brethren, we do not need to ask ourselves, "What is wrong with Freemasonry?" or "Is there anything wrong with Freemasonry?" I am not a pessimist, but I believe darker days are ahead of us. Let us meet them bravely and cheerfully. Let us take our places in the present conflict as citizens and Masons should do. Let us practice friendship in and out of our lodges. To enjoy life one must have friends and in order to have friends, one must be friendly. So then, let us be kindly and friendly one towards another, and by our lives and actions make the lives of those about us happier and more useful. We must draw closer together in brotherly love than perhaps we have done. Perhaps the future happiness of mankind rests upon Masonry. If this is so, then upon you and I rests a great responsibility. Let us practice kindness and generosity at every opportunity, then when we present our ashlar for His judgment, He may in His great mercy find in it some semblance of perfection.

CANADA (in Ontario) 1941

Worshipful Masters: Your Committee consider that a word or two of comment will not be out of place. The Master makes the lodge, hence the necessity of choosing wisely at the

time of election. No brother should be appointed to a junior office of a lodge unless it is considered he has the qualities which, through development as he serves in other offices, will finally qualify him for the Master's chair.

Napoleon said "every soldier carries a Field Marshal's baton in his knapsack." That might be paraphrased to read "Every Mason carries a Master's gavel in his apron's satchel." There are few Field Marshals. There are few Worshipful Masters.

The personality of a Worshipful Master has been known to improve the attendance, the esprit de corps, the gatherings in of the dues, and the success of a lodge. This personality should include integrity, tact, sympathy, good temper, poise and competence to do whatever his office demands, without any strain or fuss. To these qualities might be added imagination and ingenuity in meeting untoward situations.

MASONIC WELFARE WORK WITH THE ARMED FORCES

RHODE ISLAND, 1941 (Grand Master)

Masonic Welfare Work with the Armed Forces of the United States: A year ago the Masonic Service Association queried all Grand Masters, the heads of the two Supreme Councils of the Scottish Rite, the Grand Encampment, the General Grand Chapter, the General Grand Council, the Shrine, and the National Sojourners, asking:

> "1. In the event that this nation is drawn into war, should Freemasonry ask the Government for an opportunity to serve as a welfare agency, to comfort and aid Masons, of course according to Army and Navy regulations, and in co-operation with the armed forces of the nation?
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> "If your answer to the above question is in the affirmative:
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> "2. Will you join with your sister Grand Lodges in commanding this Association to do your will?

"3. Will you attend, or send a representative to attend a meeting of the Grand Masters (or their representatives) of all Grand Lodges, coming yourself with power to act, or delegating such power to your representative, so that the results of such a co-ordination meeting may be authoritative?"

Those of us who were members of the Craft during the war days of 1917 and 1918 still remember that our Fraternity was not permitted to participate in welfare work for our armed forces. The reason for this was that we had no central agency through which the forty-nine Grand Jurisdictions could act as one. To avoid a similar situation, should circumstances again make such welfare work desirable, plans have been going forward to have the Masonic Service Association act as such an agency.

It now appears that we may have many thousands of young men in training within the next few months. It also appears that in order to be in position to engage in welfare work in event of armed conflict that it will be highly desirable to engage in such work during mobilization and training.

The cost of such work is estimated to be from three and one-half to ten cents per capita a year for those Grand Lodges participating. At the present time thirty-seven of the forty-nine Grand Jurisdictions have tentatively agreed to take part.

Unfortunately Grand Lodge funds are not available for this work by the time some action may be necessary. Believing that our own Jurisdiction, which will probably have many service activities, should take part in this work I am issuing this appeal to the Masters of the constituent lodges.

I am requesting the lodges to contribute a sum equal to ten cents per member with the hope that the money be obtained through contributions from the members; any of this money not used for this work during the present Grand Lodge year to be returned to the lodges. The making of the request in this form is done to have as many of our brethren as possible directly interested in the work at this time, with the expectation that Grand Lodge will, at the Semi-Annual or Annual Communications, make provision to continue the work or take such action as may seem advisable.

"Thirty-seven Grand Masters and five of the seven National organizations replied in the Affirmative."

"It is planned to render any service to a brother or his friend that legitimately can be given. As men's wants are as many as the men, no complete list can be given, but services contemplated include:

Initiating personal contacts between strangers.
Recreational facilities.
Roster of Masons in the command.
Visits to Masons in hospital.
Notification of family in case of sickness.
Notification of home lodge in case of sickness.
Transportation for visiting families.
Transportation to lodge meetings for small groups.
Advice about local and nearby lodges.
Complete list of all nearby Masonic bodies and bulletin board of Masonic activities.
Assistance in drawing legal papers.
Temporary financial assistance in need.
Notification to nearest Masonic service centre, on transfer,
Home service investigations for the Red Cross, involving Masons.
Legitimate aid to Masons in military difficulties.
Aid to Chaplains in Masonic cases.
Civil or military legal aid when requested."

The estimated cost of establishing and conducting forty Masonic Centres is $249,800.00 for the first year.

Appended hereto and made a part of this report are copies of a letter from Major Charles S. Coulter, Director of Welfare for the Masonic Service Association, to the Hon. Henry L. Stimson, Secretary of War, and his reply thereto.

Conclusion: It is difficult to realize that the first half of my term of office has passed. The assistance and co-operation that I have received on every hand has made the time seem short indeed.

Peace and harmony prevail throughout the Jurisdiction and a fine fraternal spirit of co-operation is strongly evident among the Constituent Lodges.

The clouds of war still continue to spread over the world and preparedness is the watchword of the day. May we so prepare ourselves that we may work in perfect harmony at whatever task the day may bring. May the Supreme Architect guide and direct us, that peace may prevail and the brotherhood of man be restored in the world.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1941 (Board of General Purposes)

Offers of hospitality from Canada: From the Grand Lodges of Saskatchewan, British Columbia, Manitoba and Canada, invitations have been received for Freemasons or sons of Freemasons who may be proceeding to Canada, to receive a portion of their training in the Air Force, to forward their names so that they may be able to extend to them suitable hospitality. These Grand Lodges offer their services unreservedly and will appreciate the opportunity of extending courtesies, possibly by way of invitations to private homes or functions not confined entirely to members of the Craft.

Enquiries may be made at the Grand Lodge Office, and letters of introduction will be arranged for brethren or their sons who may be detailed for duty in Canada.

NEBRASKA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Masons in Service: Inasmuch as the several Grand Jurisdictions of the United States have no united programme in welfare work for the armed forces, it is our desire to have every Freemason who belongs to a Nebraska Lodge and who is in the armed forces of the United States contacted by a Freemason in or near his training quarters. Questionnaires were sent to all Lodges in this Jurisdiction requiring information as to the name, rank, and location of any Mason

entering the armed forces. Many of these have been returned. I recommend that as the members of the various subordinate lodges volunteer or are inducted into service that the Secretaries continue to send the required information to M.W. Lewis E. Smith, Grand Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1941 (Grand Master)

The Grand Master is not in favor of the Masonic Service Association in engaging in the welfare work as proposed by the Association, but will carry on under the North Carolina plan of "Masonic Fellowship Service."

OREGON, 1941 (Report of Grand Lodge Trustees)

Regarding the matter of the erection of huts and club houses at military training camps, the Grand Secretary was instructed to write to the Masonic Service Association that Grand Lodge will keep the matter under consideration, but does not care to take any action immediately.

NEW JERSEY, 1941 (Grand Master)

An important subject for this Grand Lodge to consider is the subject of welfare work among the brethren in the armed forces of the United States. During World War No. 1, the Fraternity received considerable undeserved publicity for its failure to administer to the entertainment and welfare of the men of the Army and Navy in the way and manner of other fraternal and humanitarian agencies.

The brethren of our Grand Lodges twenty-five years ago were denied the right to participate in welfare work because they came as forty-nine units, rather than as one central agency, which the government at that time demanded.

To overcome this difficulty, the Masonic Service Association has offered (and the offer has been accepted), to administer for all the Grand Jurisdictions as one central unit.

But that takes money, brethren, about ten cents per member it was figured from all Grand Jurisdictions in the United States.

The great difficulty with this problem is the newness of it. We have nothing to go by, but it is obvious that the work will have to be taken care of throughout the country by the Masonic Service Association of the United States and within the State by Grand Lodge representatives or local lodges themselves. The necessary amount of money is not known at this time, but it is thought it will be less than $10,000.00 for our Grand Jurisdiction.

NEW MEXICO, 1941 (Grand Master)

United Service Organization: As you know, the United Service Organization is comprised of six big welfare and social service groups, namely: The Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A., National Catholic Community Service, Jewish Welfare Board, Salvation Army and National Travellers Aid Association. Their first drive is to net $10,765,000 and it was officially stated to be spent on various services "to soldiers, sailors, marines, and defence workers, young women as well as men, in camps, bases and manufacturing areas where there are no adequate resources in nearby communities for recreational and welfare activities."

A very large percentage of our membership are members of some of these service organizations. Their co-operation is commendable and we trust that some of the scandals developed in the last World War do not come to pass.

Masonry has its task to do under these conditions. Any Mason knows the fellowship and companionship that he craves away from camp life is waiting for him at the nearest Masonic Lodge. A true Mason does not need dance halls and the like in which to spend his off-duty time.

As a suggestion. Each constituent lodge should obtain the address of each member in the armed forces and keep

in touch with him during his term of service. Likewise, any member should keep his lodge informed in regard to his whereabouts unless it would be militarily strategic not to.

The fellowship to be found in the lodge room nearest his quarters should be his first thought when in a strange place.

TENNESSEE, 1942 (Grand Master)

Masonic Welfare Work: We have given careful consideration to the so-called Masonic Welfare work among the armed forces, and have concluded that since there is no unified programme, we should endeavor to procure a list of all of our members who are serving in the armed forces, have them contacted by the lodge nearest their camp or base, and have such fraternal courtesies as are possible extended to them. Each lodge has been requested to furnish the Grand Secretary the names and complete addresses of such members as are in the service, and we have been surprised at the small number of names reported. A total of 170 names have been reported, of whom 72 are commissioned officers. These men are stationed in at least twenty other Grand Jurisdictions. The names of those outside Tennesseee have been furnished the Grand Secretaries of the respective states in which they are stationed, and we have been assured that all of our members will be contacted and given a cordial invitation to attend the meetings and other Masonic activities of the lodges nearest them.

KENTUCKY, 1941 (Grand Master)

Masonic Welfare Work among Armed Forces: Much discussion has come on welfare work by Masons in the camps of our country. The Grand Lodge of Kentucky was, I think, just as much interested as is any other Grand Jurisdiction, in this work. But, when, in March, 1941, Brother Orton and I were guests of the National Sojourners' Club, Fort Knox, Kentucky, we talked extensively with Captain Halstead and several other officers. They state that the men

did not need welfare work and recreation—that the Federal Government furnished that. They indicated that what the Masons in the armed forces wanted most was the privilege of attending our lodges occasionally, and I assured them that they had that now.

PENNSYLVANIA (Masonic Military and Naval Service Committee)

1. Lodge Committees: It is recommended that the Masters of all lodges in this Jurisdiction appoint in their lodges a Military and Naval Service Committee, to consist of three of their members, including preferably the Secretary, and, when expedient, members who have previously had experience in the armed forces. It shall be the duty of this Committee (a) to supply through the Secretary of the lodge to the Masonic Military and Naval Service Committee of the Grand Lodge, accurate information as to name, rank and station of lodge members and sons of lodge members in military or naval service (b) to contact and render Masonic service to their members in service when these are at home on leave, and to service Masons from other lodges who may be sojourning in their midst, and (c) to assist the Masonic Military and Naval Service Committee of the Grand Lodge or its representatives in such ways as they may from time to time be called upon.

2. Auxiliary Committee: It is recommended that the R.W. Grand Master appoint the District Deputy Grand Masters as members of an Auxiliary Committee. Their duties shall be to supervise and co-ordinate the activities of the Military and Naval Service Committees of the several lodges in their respective Districts and to co-operate with the Committee of the Grand Lodge as occasions arise.

3. Activities: It is recommended that the Masonic Military and Naval Service Committee of the Grand Lodge be empowered to plan such activities in this Jurisdiction as may seem expedient and within the means of money in hand; and that the committee shall keep in communication with

other Grand Lodges and with the Masonic Service Association as to their activities and experiences, and to co-operate with them as circumstances may warrant.

4. Grants in Aid: It is recommended that this Committee, by and with the consent of the R.W. Grand Master, be empowered to render financial aid for Masonic Military and Naval Service to subordinate lodges of this Jurisdiction, to other Grand Lodges, and to the Masonic Service Association, when in the opinion of the Committee such aid is warranted, and in amounts that the funds in hand would justify.

5. Reports: It is recommended that the Masonic Military and Naval Service Committee of this Grand Lodge be required to submit in writing at the Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge a concise statement of its activities, including an itemized statement of its receipts and disbursements.

CONNECTICUT, 1942 (Grand Master)

A dispensation was issued to a number of brethren, members of the National Guard, who have left Connecticut for training in Florida to convene an occasional lodge and confer the three degrees on request on candidates who are in the armed forces and have been duly elected by any lodge in Connecticut.

EVACUEE CHILDREN

ALBERTA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Early last summer it was expected that a large number of children would arrive from the Old Country for whom homes would be necessary in Alberta. A committee was appointed to arrange the necessary organization.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1941 (Board of General Purposes)

Evacuated Children of English Freemasons: With a view of co-operating with the United Grand Lodge of England in arranging homes for evacuated children of Freemasons who may come to Australia, the Grand Lodge of Tasmania wrote offering to exercise oversight in regard to the welfare of children who may be received into Tasmanian households. The Grand Lodge of Victoria cabled its willingness to co-operate in arranging homes with Masonic brethren.

The Grand Lodge of England cabled that no separate Masonic arrangements had been made, but suggested co-operation with the Government schemes, and in a later cable asked that arrangements be made for those whose forms showed Masonic connection.

The Board, after earnest and careful consideration of the responsibility involved, cabled to England to the effect that Freemasons in South Australia approved of the prinicple of the offer made by Victoria, and invited further information. To this message a reply was received expressing gratitude, but stating that very few applications were being received and they would notify us when possible.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1941 (Grand Master)

Following the last Annual Communication I appointed a Committee, with R.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser as Chairman, to set up a Province-wide organization dealing with the matter of evacuation of British children of Masonic parentage. This was done but in view of the definite postponement of the scheme by the British government, no further action has been taken.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1941 (Grand Master)

I was pleased to issue a special warrant for $1000.00 to the Trustees of the Board for the purpose of caring for evacuee children and others, who are unable to receive funds, from abroad, owing to exchange regulations.

INDIANA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Believing that the Masonic Fraternity of Indiana could be of service to the Masonic brethren of England, due to the present existing conditions, I addressed the following letter to the Masonic Home Board.

"December 24, 1940:

I am wondering whether or not the Grand Lodge of Indiana could not be of a very valuable service to the Grand Lodge of England.

No doubt that there have been in the past and will be in the future a number of children evacuated from England due to the existing emergency, and if invasion occurs the danger will be more imminent. Could not our Masonic Home Board offer the facilities of our Home at Franklin to the Grand Lodge of England to take into our custody as many children of Masonic Brethren as our facilities will permit? The housing and care of additional children should not be a perplexing question at the present time as we have been facing a shortage of our school attendance for some time and there is no immediate indication that our already provided facilities for children will be taken by the requirements of our own Jurisdiction. It seems to me that we have an opportunity to at least do something that Masonry teaches all of us; to care for those less fortunate than we and particularly during the emergency as we as Masons now understand it.

I presume that the Grand Lodge of England is in financial position to pay all or partial for the additional expense thus incurred. If not, I am sure that we could, by a direct appeal to our Lodges now or at the Annual Meeting, upon explanation of our acts, receive the full and hearty consent of every Lodge in the state.

I am making this in the form of a recommendation to the Home Board for consideration at its next meeting and I hope that it will receive due consideration."

This letter was read at the meeting of the Home Board on January 9, 1941, and was unanimously adopted and a committee appointed to inform the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England accordingly. On January 20th, 1941, I addressed the following letter as directed.

"H.R.H. The Duke of Kent, K.G., Grand Master,
Sydney A. White, M.V.O., Grand Secretary,
United Grand Lodge of Freemasons, Freemasons Hall,
London, W. C. 2, England.

Honorable Brethren:

The Freemasons of the Grand Jurisdiction of Indiana are not unmindful of the distressed condition that prevails among our English brethren and desire to aid in relieving that distress. We therefore offer the facilities of our Indiana Masonic Home at Franklin, Indiana, to care for forty girls and twenty boys, children of your brethren, not over fifteen years of age. Our Home is a little city in itself with all modern conveniences.

Should you accept this offer, send each child direct to the Home with a Certificate showing its name, name of father, with name, number and location of the Lodge of which he is a member. After this terrible conflict is ended, which we hope and pray will result in victory for England, you can then send transportation for the children to be returned to you.

With our best wishes, we remain

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
CLAUDE M. JACOBY,
Grand Master."

To which letter I received the following answer:

"I have to acknowledge your letter of the 20th January on behalf of our M.W. Grand Master, H.R.H. The Duke of Kent, and to thank your Grand Lodge for the very generous offer contained therein.

At the moment, however, I do not see any possibility of taking advantage of it, as we have no separate Masonic scheme for the evacuation of children, and the Government schemes with which we have been working in co-operation, have been suspended for the time being.

In any case, the Committees of the Royal Masonic Institutions for Boys and Girls have decided not to evacuate the children from this country, as the schools are situated in reception areas and the parents are agreeable to the children remaining.

Again thanking you for your kind suggestion, which we much appreciate.

Yours sincerely and fraternally,
SYDNEY A. WHITE,
Grand Secretary."

OREGON, 1941 (Report of Grand Lodge Trustees)

A letter from the Masonic Service Association regarding the securing of homes for British Refugee children was read and the Grand Secretary was instructed that he advise the Association that, should the matter become of immediate urgency, our lodges will be circularized in order that they may have opportunity to join in the work of assisting refugee children, and also that we would in such case avail ourselves of the opportunity of using the Service Association's facilities.

MASONIC WAR EFFORT

ALBERTA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Soon after my installation as Grand Master I felt it necessary that we should have a Fund to which we could contribute as Masons and retain our identity as such. A draft for $5000.00 was forwarded to the United Grand Lodge of England. The Masons in Alberta have nearly reached their objective of $25,000.00.

Another item of interest in order to show you the purposes for which Masonic lodge rooms are being used in the Old Land. I recently received a letter from a friend who is overseas as a member of one of the Provost Companies. Recently his company was billeted in a West of England town and on entering their billet and turning the lights on, was agreeably surprised to find himself in a Masonic lodge room, which he said, was very similar to our own little lodge rooms in the Peace River Country.

CALIFORNIA, 1941 (Grand Master)

The visitation of war has brought with it untold suffering overseas and Masonry has been sorely tried. In many Jurisdictions the formal observances of our brotherhood have been forcibly suppressed and throughout Europe our brethren are in dire distress.

In response to a further appeal from the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina, we have sent a further sum of $5000.00 for the relief of refugee Masonic brethren. Appeals have come to us from many quarters. Among the brethren of Finland and Greece, those brave lands in which the spirit of democracy has not died, the need is great.

From England, too, the mother of our Freemasonry, the appeal has come, an appeal which but a few short months ago we could not contemplate. The mother Grand Lodge, the greatest Masonic Jurisdiction in the world, now asks our help that it may carry on the tremendous burden of relief which the havoc of destruction of war has imposed. To the extent of such funds as were at my disposal in the Grand Master's Charity Fund, I have responded in your name and have sent to our English brethren as a first token of our deep and sincere desire to aid, the sum of two thousand ($2000.00) dollars.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND (Grand Secretary)

In accordance with motions passed at our last Annual Communication, we cabled the Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England, stating that this Grand Lodge was prepared to forward the sum of two thousand dollars as a contribution towards the war effort of the British Empire. Accordingly arrangements were made with the Trustees of the Benevolent Fund for the loan of this amount, and on November 4th, 1940, a bank draft for £447-8-6 was forwarded to the United Grand Lodge of England. This was gratefully acknowledged by a letter which I shall read later.

In connection with this loan from the Benevolent Fund, I may say that I have been in communication with the Secretaries of our lodges, and that in all cases action is being taken in order to repay the amount, which will be approximately $2.00 per capita for all our members.

QUEENSLAND, 1941 (Board of General Purposes)

The President: Clause (e) reads that the Board has given consideration to financial assistance to the Commonwealth Government, and reports that the sum of £2,000 has been placed on loan, free of interest, for the duration of the War and six months afterwards. I feel quite sure it would need no words of mine to commend to Grand Lodge approval of this action which is in uniformity with what we believe are the sentiments of all our members in regard to the absolute necessity of doing all we can to help Australia and the Empire in the great effort that is being made to ensure victory in the present conflict.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1941 (Board of General Purposes)

The sum of five hundred pounds was contributed to the Lord Mayor's Air Raid Victims Fund, to assist in the relief of those many thousands of civilians now in the front line in England—citizens who had shown outstanding bravery during recent air raids.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1941 (Special Committee)

The Committee is firmly of the opinion that something more should be done by the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, at this time of peril in the history of the British Commonwealth of Nations, than to merely express our loyalty to His Majesty the King.

Brethren, we as Masons, are face to face with stern realities. Masonry, or in other words, Freedom and Liberty, have in many places been ruthlessly trampled out of existence. Let every Mason in Saskatchewan face the cold, stern fact that our own great heritage is in danger.

Every member of the Craft must assume his personal responsibility. Idealists overlook the fact that today brutality is rampant in the very cradle of our civilization, which must be overcome. Goodwill is valuable but it is not enough when the soulless gangster has to be dealt with.

In brief, brethren, our way of life is challenged. Having these things in mind, and further, having in mind the fortitude, fidelity and valiant struggle of our brethren in Britain, your Committee recommends that the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars, ($7,500) be granted to the United Grand Lodge of England, to assist in the relief of suffering and distress caused by the ravages of war, this sum to be paid out of the Revenue Surplus account of the Benevolent Fund.

Your Committee would further suggest that this Grand Lodge take steps to establish a special fund in such manner as the Most Worshipful the Grand Master shall direct, for the purpose of Masonic relief made necessary by war.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1941 (Report of Finance Committee)

The Ambulance Fund: The appeal for this Fund was somewhat delayed, largely on account of the sprinkler fund having a balance outstanding. In this case we anticipate a ready and generous response. Although the appeal was issued only on May 1st, we have already $800.00 on hand and much more we believe coming.

However, owing to changed conditions in the war zone it is felt now the need of ambulances is passed for the time being; but the need of relief is very urgent, especially in England. And for this reason we have no hesitation in recommending for your approval a donation of $10,000.00 to the Queen's Canadian Fund—the monies received for the Ambulance Fund to be used as a nucleus for this purpose and the balance to be raised by setting up local canvassing committees under supervision of lodge officers. While we admit that the demands upon us at present are many, and will increase as the months go by yet we must remember that this institution which we love and of which we are proud to be members grew out of the needs of men, and as these needs are multiplied in this decade so in the same proportion should we extend our assistance to our fellow men in distress.

M.W. Bro. R. V. Harris reported that a voluntary subscription of $500.00 from an anonymous donor from the credit of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 1 had been received for the Queen's Canadian Fund.

At the same time a contribution of $100.00 from Burns Lodge No. 10 was announced.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1941 (Report of Finance Committee)

June 28, 1940.

The Hon. J. L. Ralston,
Minister of Finance,
Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Sir:

At the Annual Communication of our Grand Lodge held in New Westminster, the sum of $5,000.00 was directed to be forwarded to you to be used for the prosecution of the war.

I have, therefore, very much pleasure in enclosing the cheque.

Yours very truly,

F. S. McKEE,
Grand Secretary.

Encl.
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MINISTER OF FINANCE
CANADA

Ottawa,
July 5, 1940.

Dear Mr. McKee:

I have your letter of June 28th enclosing a cheque for $5000.00, representing a contribution for war purposes by the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of British Columbia.

Will you express to the members of your lodge, the sincere thanks of the Government of Canada for this generous practical evidence of their patriotic interest and whole-hearted co-operation in Canada's undertakings in the fight for human freedom and justice.

We appreciate this gift not only for the generous amount which is involved and the material assistance which it will provide towards meeting war expenditures, but also because it sets such a splendid example to the rest of us.

Yours very truly,

J. L. RALSTON.

Frank S. McKee, Esq.,
Grand Secretary,
The Grand Lodge of Ancient
Free and Accepted Masons,
692 Seymour Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

June 28, 1940.

The B.C. Commissioner,
Canadian Red Cross Society,
Marine Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

At the recent Communication of our Grand Lodge, the sum of $2,500.00 was directed to be forwarded to you for the use of the Canadian Red Cross Society to assist in carrying on the war effort.

I have, therefore, very great pleasure in enclosing the cheque.

Yours very truly,

F. S. McKEE,
Grand Secretary.

Encl.
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THE CANADIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY
British Columbia Provincial Division

Provincial Branch
213 Marine Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
June 29, 1940.

The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons,
of British Columbia,
692 Seymour Street,
Vancouver, B.C.
Dear Sirs:

Attention: Mr. Frank S. McKee
Grand Secretary

I am today in receipt of your letter of June 28th, enclosing a cheque for $2,500.00, being a contribution towards the War efforts of the Canadian Red Cross Society.

May I, on behalf of the President and Executive of this Division, extend to you, and through you, to the Members of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia the Society's grateful thanks for this generous and very welcome donation to its War work. The obligations of the Society at the present time are many and varied, and it is only by the moral and financial support of the public at large that the Society is able to meet its obligations, Provincial, National and International.

Again assuring you of our appreciation, I am,

Yours sincerely,

F. W. TUFFREY,
Acting Provincial Commissioner.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1941 (Board of Trustees)

Masonic War Relief Fund: This fund was initiated by M.W. Brother Wm. Astley in 1916 for the purpose of providing financial assistance to our brethren, in need thereof, on their return from the Great War. Loans were made and

grants given to those brethren who applied for it, to help re-establish themselves in civil life on their return from overseas. In all, the sum of $25,735.75 has been expended on those who have asked for this assistance. Due to careful management and astute investment of these funds by the Grand Treasurer, M.W. Brother H. H. Watson, and return of some loans, there still remains on hand the sum of $22,000.00.

Under the present arrangements for handling this fund, it can only be used for the benefit of our brethren who served in the Great War 1914-1918, and no applications having been received, no grants have been made from this fund this year.

Unfortunately, war has again disturbed the peace of the world, and as some of our brethren, as they return from the present conflict, may be in need of Masonic financial assistance to re-establish themselves in civil life again, the Board respectfully asks Grand Lodge for instructions with regard to the disposal of the $22,000.00 now in the Masonic War Relief Fund.

The Board recommends that Grand Lodge authorize the use of this Fund for the benefit also of our brethren who serve in the armed forces of the present war. Carried.

NEBRASKA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Relief to European Grand Jurisdictions: Since the dictators started persecuting the Freemasons of Europe, little Switzerland has become a refuge for many of the persecuted. An appeal was made to the Freemasons of America for assistance in caring for these refugees. Feeling that this was a very worthy cause, a check for $200.00 was sent to the Grand Lodge of Switzerland.

Through various Masonic channels, we have learned of the sacrifices of Freemasons of the Mother Grand Lodge of England in defending their country. As a token of our affection, we have forwarded $500.00 to be used by them in relief work. This money was set aside for this purpose by the Finance Committee at the 83rd Annual Communication.

Recently we received an acknowledgment from Sydney A. White, Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England. Expressing his appreciation, Brother White writes:

> "It is most encouraging to us to have the good wishes of our brethren abroad and to be aware of their kindly thoughts for us in these trying times. I do, therefore, thank you and your brethren most sincerely for the goodwill so amply evidenced by your much esteemed communication."

CANADA in Ontario (War Service Committee)

The report of the War Service Committee is lengthy, but it is one of the best the reviewer has read, and the committee may well feel proud that their effiorts have met with such success as the following will show:

As sufficient funds came to hand they were sent at once on their errand of mercy overseas, the remittances being made as follows:

Date	To	Amount
March 6th	England	$ 9,000
April 9th	England	11,000
April 17th	England	13,000
May 5th	England	15,000
May 14th	Scotland	10,000
June 11th	England	12,000
June 11th	England	5,000
July 11th	Scotland	5,000

We are happy to report that the total amount received from the lodges up to July 11th has reached the magnificent sum of $111,585, of which $80,000 has already been sent to the Masonic authorities in Britain.

OHIO, 1941 (Grand Master)

Emergency Fund: We hear of an occasional calamity befalling our brethren such as that which occurred in Gretna, Scotland, where fifty Masons, gathered together

at Lodge, were all killed when one enemy bomb dropped squarely on the building. Time will never reveal the number of our brethren who have been bereft of home and subjected to violence. The tribulations to which the Masons of the British Isles are subjected prompts us to extend some tangible token of brotherly love as an expression of sympathy.

Accordingly, in January, 1941, our Grand Treasurer was authorized to cable to the United Grand Lodge of England $1,000 for the Royal Masonic Hospital. Receipt of this was most graciously acknowledged as is evidenced by this closing paragraph of the Secretary of the Hospital:

> "As Masons, we are delighted to have an opportunity of expressing, in the name of the Craft, our good will and our good fellowship toward the sick and the suffering, and we are very proud to have this work recognized by our Brethren overseas, and very much encouraged in this work by your kindly thought for us, and greatly indebted to you for all your generosity."

In July, 1941, our Grand Treasurer was authorized to send an additional $2,500 to the Grand Lodge of England, to be used in such manner as would contribute most to the relief and comfort of our brethren in England.

In forwarding this money, M.W. Bro. Kissell stated in the opening paragraph of his letter:

> "I had the pleasure today of sending you by cable $2,500 from the M.W. Grand Lodge of Ohio to the United Grand Lodge of England, to be used in such manner as the Officers of the Grand Lodge think would contribute most to the relief and comfort of our Brethren in England, or for assistance at the Royal Masonic Hospital, or in any manner you may choose. The Grand Lodge of Ohio is very anxious that the United Grand Lodge of England should know that we are not unmindful of the terrible suffering and distress being borne by you and your Brethren and their families, and we wish to take some small part in assisting to relieve this suffering."

In the following paragraphs from the letter acknowledging receipt of this amount by R.W. Bro. Sidney A. White, Grand Secretary, you will note how our thoughtfulness for

them has brought an expression of gratitude which should be a benediction for us as well as for our English brethren:

> "I have to thank you for your letter of the 10th of July received this morning, and also for the cheque for £618.1.0 which has been received through the American Express Company. Will you kindly convey to all concerned the grateful thanks of this Lodge for their generous gift to our War Relief Fund which is much appreciated. Your suggestion that this donation should be used at our discretion will be most helpful, as it enables us to help cases of genuine distress which are not eligible for relief from some of our Masonic funds.
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> "Through the generosity for our Brethren in Canada and the United States of America, we have been able to help many stricken families in all parts of the country, and I cannot tell you how much it has meant to those who have lost everything to receive some immediate monetary assistance to tide them over the difficult period before more permanent arrangements can be made. It has helped many to bear the loss and to face with courage the task of preparing new homes.
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> "I am thankful to say that this building has escaped heavy damage, and we feel we have been most fortunate as the neighborhood has suffered severely. The basement is occupied as a Public Air-Raid Shelter, and all through last autumn, winter and spring we had between 1,000 and 1,200 sheltering here each night. They are mostly families who have lived for years in the neighborhood and who have watched the construction of this building in the past, little thinking what a refuge it would be to them. The shelter is 'manned' entirely by my own staff, and this, in addition to heavy office work, keeps us fully occupied."

It is hoped there may be additional, perhaps sacrificial, contribution on the part of the Masons of Ohio and the Grand Lodge for the relieving of our brother Masons of England. It is recommended that, where Lodges desire to make a contribution, it be sent to the Grand Secretary and the list of such Lodges will be stated in the letter of transmittal.

How thankful we are that we are privileged to assist in rebuilding what has been destroyed, and to have a part in re-establishing homes. The mission of our money is to secure peace, and good will, and courage to endure and overcome evil.

SCOTLAND, 1941 (Grand Almoner)

The Grand Almoner reporting on the War Distress Fund, advised that donations had been received from Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, £4,472.11.7, Grand Lodge of Alberta £500.0.0, the Scottish bodies in Virginia £371.1.0 and one individual Daughter Lodge, Scotia, Nairobi, No. 1008 £120.0.0.

QUEBEC, 1941 (Grand Master)

Quebec Masons War Relief Fund: Following the suggestion made by a rural lodge and believing the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction would welcome the opportunity of expressing their admiration for the courage and fortitude exhibited by the men and women of Great Britain, I authorized the formation of a fund, to be known as the "Quebec Masons War Relief Fund". A committee was formed under the chairmanship of the Deputy Grand Master, when an appeal was directed to every member of the Craft through the several Lodge Secretaries. The response to this appeal while it has not measured up to our greatest hopes has been fairly satisfactory. The Grand Secretary has been able to forward up to date a sum of £7,000 to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England, to be expended by that Grand Lodge for the alleviation of suffering among the bombed victims, Masons or others, in that great island fortress. Many other Grand Jurisdictions on this continent have done likewise and we, as Masons and Citizens of the Empire, cannot help but speak with pride for this noble race of men and women who stand with magnificent courage to defend our freedom, even if necessary, with life itself. I would like to record my appreciation to the Secretaries and Committees who carried out this work so faithfully.

MASONIC EDUCATION

CALIFORNIA, 1941 (Committee on Masonic Education)

The term "Masonic Education" is unfortunate. There seems to be a decided and enduring prejudice against the

phrase. Many brethren resent the implication that they are ignorant and need education, and they also object to other brethren being set up as instructors and mentors. This feeling seems to be widespread. Brethren welcome "information" on Masonic subjects, but do not want education. In the popular mind education carries the thought of high-brow stuff, dry-as-dust and difficult to understand. We think the time has come to change the name of the committee.

In these days of digests and short cuts, Masonic information must be put out in concise, interesting and challenging form. Brethren do not like profound, long-winded dissertations on abstract and abstruse themes. They ask for facts; not philosophy. They want capsules of predigested data that can be shot at them with the rapidity, clearness and vividness of a radio announcement. The day of the ponderous sermonic lecture is past. Methods of Masonic education must be revised to fit the rapid-fire proceedures of the quiz programmes. Many Lodges arrange their own programmes on the question and answer system and find them attractive and satisfactory.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1941 (Grand Master)

First. For some years it has been the opinion of Masonic thinkers that we fail to give our candidates adequate instruction in Masonry. It is true that they receive impressive lessons in the degrees and are instructed in the lectures, but the numerous questions which occur to a thinking novice are not answered. To supply this deficiency, the Grand Lodge of Iowa, South Dakota, and other Jurisdictions have prepared "Masonry, an Introduction" which is intended primarily to supply essential information to the candidate during the time he is receiving his degrees. Five copies of this "Masonry, an Instruction" are sent free to each lodge which makes the proper request to the Grand Secretary. To date only 74 lodges have asked for their copies, which means that 98 lodges in the state have not availed themselves of this service. Every lodge in the state should make the

proper request for these publications and give them a fair trial. We cannot expect to get results unless we are willing to put forth some effort.

Second. At least a part of one meeting a month should be given to what I will term "Masonic recreation." By this I mean an interesting talk or discussion on a subject pertaining to Masonry. It rests with the Master to determine how this part of the programme shall be handled. In some Lodges it can come up at a regular meeting after the regular business has been disposed of. In some it can be handled best after the call from labor to refreshment. This part of the programme should be well prepared and should stimulate thought and leave the audience with the impression that it came to a close too soon. I have often envied our brothers of years gone by, who, after their meeting repaired to a room over a tavern where they partook of refreshments, lighted their pipes and proceeded to discuss subjects of general interest. I think all of the lodges should try some experiments in different ways of giving this kind of a programme, and report to their District Deputy the results obtained.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Grand Lodge is now beginning to reap the benefits of its endeavor to enlighten its members through a systematic form of education. More and more are the members endeavoring to discover for themselves what Freemasonry really is, its history, its legends, its jurisprudence, its symbols. Practically every lodge has its study group, and it is a real source of satisfaction to see the enthusiasm displayed in this worthy endeavor.

INDIANA, 1941 (Committee on Masonic Education)

The Committee either designated or arranged for speakers for fifty-three various lodge functions over the State during the past year. the average attendance of these various meetings was approximately two hundred and

twenty-five. It therefore becomes quite obvious that interest in and attendance at special occasions arranged by lodges are on the upgrade in Indiana. Many of the speakers who were provided by the Committee rendered their service without cost or charge to the lodge which they served. This, however, should not be expected. No lodge should expect a speaker to travel at his own expense and give of his time and effort without some remuneration for his actual travelling expense.

NEBRASKA, 1941 (Grand Master)

The Grand Lodge of Nebraska has failed in its attempts to develop a sound programme of Masonic Education. The efforts of our Masonic Education Committees in the past have been seriously handicapped because of this distressing situation.

We all realize the value of proper instruction in the esoteric work of the degrees and we commend the results obtained in this field. We must also remember that the spiritual, social, and fraternal development of the order is just as essential to its success. With these thoughts in mind, I directed R.W. Edward F. Carter, Deputy Grand Master, to undertake the organization of a constructive programme of Masonic Education.

NEBRASKA, 1941 (Committee on Masonic Education)

"To disseminate Masonic light and information for the purpose of bringing the Craft to a higher and fuller understanding of the Ideals and Purposes of the Fraternity," is a mandate and a challenge. The committee received the mandate and we accept the challenge.

Questionnaire: At our first meeting, we attempted to resolve this mandate and challenge into specific objectives;—definite things to be done during the current Grand Lodge year. Our conclusions are the result of a critical analysis of the situation, based upon the experiences of the members

of the committee and of the Grand Lodge officers with whom we have consulted, and on the answers to a questionnaire sent to the Masters and Secretaries of the two hundred and ninety lodges in the Jurisdiction, of which seventy-three, or approximately 25%, responded.

An analysis of the responses to that questionnaire groups lodge officers into three classes. First, officers that have no organized programme of lodge functioning. This group admits frankly that they are permitting the lodge to drift. If anything happens it is well and good. If nothing happens, nothing can be done about it, anyway. Second, officers that want an organized programme of lodge functioning and apparently do not know how to bring it about. They are anxious for help and assistance. Third, officers who have a well organized programme of lodge functioning. They know it and tell of their success, not boastfully, but proudly, and justly so.

First Objective: The records show, and all too forcefully, that there is a lethargy of Masonic spirit in many of our lodges. Witness that two hundred and seventeen lodges did not respond to the questionnaire. This lethargy is further evidenced by the fact that too many lodges for several months past have had no meetings except the "regular" monthly meetings required by Masonic Law.

To state that our Jurisdiction has been in the throes of an economic depression, accentuated by drouth, indebtedness, social unrest and other contributing factors, with the moral and spiritual apathy accompanying the same, is to offer merely the excuse of the defeatist. It sets forth no valid reason for discouragement and despair. Instead, these conditions should be stimuli, spurring us to more virile activity. The committee's first immediate objective, therefore, may well be to revitalize the interest of our members in things Masonic, and to rekindle their enthusiasm for knowledge of and growth in Masonic light. To put it directly and simply, WE MUST FIRST AROUSE THE CRAFT.

NORTH CAROLINA (Grand Master)

I am happy to report that generally the condition of Freemasonry in North Carolina is good. There are some dry spots here and there, but when taken as a whole conditions are reasonably satisfactory. I have found many encouraging signs of revival of interest and renewed activity. With but few exceptions here and there, the members of the fraternity are at work with energy and enthusiasm. It is my belief that Freemasonry in North Carolina is upon the threshold of a new and prosperous era. The devotion to the ideals of the fraternity and the enthusiasm of those who are carrying on the work are most heartening, and must inevitably result in progress and prosperity. While it appears that there will be a small loss in membership during the year, it is my belief that the change made at the last communication of the Grand Lodge with respect to the law of suspension for non-payment of dues, and the possible misinterpretation placed upon this change by the officers and members of the lodges, are largely if not wholly responsible for any loss in membership. This legislation was, in my opinion, proper, and will ultimately result in benefit to the fraternity and should be permitted to remain as it is. I think we may confidently look for substantial increases in membership in the years immediately ahead.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1941 (Grand Master)

Lodges of Instruction: For the first time in our history Lodges of Instruction were held in all districts; and for the first time the programmes varied from other years. Instead of exemplifying degrees the programmes consisted of short talks on Masonic topics and discussion of ritual, custom and usage, and constitutional questions. Those who attended were unanimous in their sentiment in favor of the change. While the attendance has not been all that could be desired, it is believed that as the change becomes known and with a little more notice to the Lodges an increased attendance will result.

These Lodges of Instruction are primarily for the benefit of the officers of the constituent lodges. Attention is called to our constitutional provision which makes it the duty of the Master and two Wardens to attend. Under a new system of roll-call, attendance is recorded by lodges showing what officers are present.

NEW JERSEY, 1941 (Committee on Education and Service)

Your Committee on Education and Service has continued the work outlined in our report of last year. We desire to function as an assistant to the lodges and as stated a year ago we feel that this can be done, in part at least, by making available to the lodges the services of some of the many excellent speakers in our State. We have a speakers' bureau comprising a number of qualified speakers on Masonic and various other subjects and are prepared to supply the services of these brethren for individual communications or for courses covering the entire season.

We have furnished speakers during the past year on several occasions, on requests from the Masters of lodges, but feel that much greater use could be made of the available material.

IOWA, 1941 (Masonic Service Committee)

Speakers Bureau: The year just closed reveals no exception in the measure of constructive and inspiring work done by members of our Speakers Bureau. The organization of such a group was undertaken immediately after the Committee was created by Grand Lodge twenty years ago, and they have steadily functioned and, in the main, steadily improved. Authentic reference material is in greater demand than ever before, with special attention being paid to Masonic history, symbolism, Masonry and government, biographies of famous men who were Masons, Masonry and the public school, and the suppression of the Fraternity in dictator-ridden countries.

"Outline for Study Clubs": One year ago we reported this three-year course to be in process of revision, after an experience of some four years. Certain changes and additions have been made, and the Outline is in the hands of a number of groups interested in a wider study of Masonry. The oldest is that in Pioneer Lodge No. 22 at Des Moines, having been a study group for about six years, with an average monthly attendance of about 75. They are now using the revised Outline in its entirety.

A New Feature: Our Special Lecture Course, which was maintained through a period of four years, has been discontinued for the time being, and in its place an entirely new plan adopted—that of a round table discussion, or Masonic Symposium, conducted in a tyled lodge by three brethren, in an intensive, rapid-fire series of questions, answers, and comments on certain important matters that deeply concern Masonry.

IOWA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Ritualistic Instruction: This Grand Lodge recognizes the ritualistic work and lectures as now adopted, and as taught by its Board of Custodians. It is essentially the ANCIENT WEBB WORK. The preservation and dissemination thereof are enjoined on said Board, under such rules and regulations as may be by law prescribed. All innovations or changes in said work are forbidden.

The work done under the direction of our Board of Custodians, composed of Past Grand Masters Charles C. Clark, John T. Ames and Thomas W. Wellington, and now assisted by about twelve hundred District Lecturers and Masonic Instructors, is outstanding in every particular. At first the aim of the Board was to have a District Lecturer in every county in the state. When the fulfillment of this objective was in sight and about to be realized, the goal was extended to include a District Lecturer in every lodge. Now it seems that this also will soon be accomplished.

Schools of Instruction of various kinds are continually being held by the Board and by these District Lecturers and Masonic Instructors, and it is a source of genuine satisfaction to find such a large attendance at these schools, since the beauties of Masonry and the sublime principles taught in the ritualistic ceremonies are so much more impressive when exemplified by competent brethren who feel that they are proficient in the work. They can then truly interpret, with proper feeling, the thoughts intended to be conveyed.

Other Grand Jurisdictions are interested in and are investigating our methods of ritualistic instruction. The Board of Custodians are receiving many inquiries from the brethren of other states concerning our system and methods, and they are more than pleased to render any and all assistance that may be required.

This happy state of affairs in the Grand Jurisdiction of Iowa did not just happen. It is the result of many years of hard and continuous work on the part of our Custodians, who by their unselfish and untiring service have placed us under deep obligation, and it is a pleasure to again commend them for this magnificent achievement.

Recommendation: Most Worshipful Brother John T. Ames, Past Grand Master and Secretary of the Board of Custodians, has for many years been making a collection of extra material for Monitorial lectures, for use in connection with degree work. It includes what may be termed a digest of the Middle Chamber Work arranged by subjects in such a way that any brother can select the various parts and build his own distinctive lectures, as he chooses.

There are also apron presentations, charges, Bible presentations, etc. This work "Extra-Monitorial Lectures" of the Secretary is endorsed by the other members of the Board of Custodians.

This work is of great value and should be made available to the Craft. It should be printed in book form, well bound, and is presented to the Grand Lodge for such action as it may deem best.

A committee composed of the Board of Custodians, the Grand Secretary, the Committee on Finance, and the Trustees of the Grand Lodge for consideration and action on this matter is suggested.

GENERAL

VIRGINIA, 1941 (Grand Master)

As I see it, the Masonic Fraternity has more to do with the establishment and the preservation of free government than any other organization or influence in the world. In view of world conditions existing today, when the idea of free government is being eradicated or seriously challenged, not only in Europe but in our own country as well, we as individual members of a fraternity which has always stood four-square in thought and action are called upon to pledge ourselves to safeguard and preserve our nation, ever consistent in our words and actions as an integral part of the better thinking and intelligent portion of our social order, the sensible government of it lying as a great responsibility in our hands.

Notwithstanding all the ills that beset us, we can face the future fearlessly and with optimism, but constantly on the alert for every opportunity that presents itself for a demonstration that Freemasonry is consistently the champion of political freedom and human dignity.

To the best interests of the Craft, therefore, we must give our utmost.

ILLINOIS, 1941 (Oration)

A learned, and interesting oration was delivered by Bro. Edgar A. Jonas, and is well worth reading.

NEW ZEALAND, 1941 (Grand Master)

In Freemasonry there are many virtues which we inculcate. Of these virtues I feel that at the present time those of loyalty and stability may well be upheld and kept

constantly before us. There are today subversive influences and tendencies abroad which we as Freemasons can assist in quelling and keeping in subjection, and I think we can actively do something in that direction. I think that never before has loyalty been so necessary, nor has it been so important that we should maintain and uphold that virtue. And when I speak of loyalty, brethren, I exhort you that as Freemasons we should be loyal to our God, to our King and country, and let me add, to our homes and our domestic ties.

LOUISIANA, 1941 (Grand Master)

The "Declaration of Principles" enunciated by the Grand Master in his Shreveport address and broadcast July 14th, 1940, over station KWKH, was approved and adopted by this Grand Lodge as a declaration of its principles.

WASHINGTON, 1941 (Grand Master)

Olympia Lodge No. 1; Steilacoom Lodge No. 2; Grand Mound Lodge No. 3; and Washington Lodge No. 4, were the four lodges that started the Grand Lodge of Washington in 1858. Grand Mound Lodge No. 3, surrendered its charter in 1868. The other three Lodges desired to erect a Memorial to that lodge, but unable to finance it alone, asked the assistance of the other lodges of Washington and Alaska. The response was unanimous (individual donors contributed in the name of the very few lodges that took no official action).

With the necessary funds raised, a beautiful marker or shaft was erected on the site of the original Grand Mound Lodge Hall, and this was dedicated as a Memorial on May 3rd, 1941.

KANSAS, 1941 (Grand Master)

In June of the year 1215 the Great Charter of human liberty was wrestled from King John and for about seven hundred years the constant trend was toward more and

more freedom for the masses. The main objective of people has been to secure for themselves those inalienable rights which God intended them to have. And then, out of the economic panic and distress that engulfed Europe, there came into being a theory of government that had for its basic idea, the thought that there should be a drastic curtailment of their personal liberties. This new doctrine assumes that the individual is not a personality created in the image and likeness of God, but only a unit of energy to be absorbed into the machinery of the state. This idea takes from the citizen the liberties that make life dear, and by planning and regimenting his life, robs him of initiative and the right to think for himself. This totalitarian doctrine of government, not only decrees the physical process of his living but establishes a code of morals that he must follow. It proclaims itself to be the religion he must believe in and its leaders assume to be infallible. To maintain their hideous grip on their down-trodden people, these leaders must make a constant demonstration of might and power and so they have built up huge war machines, and have unleashed this powerful army upon the defenceless and unprepared nations. These nations, believing in the sanctity of treaties and in the morality and decency among nations, were caught off guard and fell easy prey to the lightning war that crashed upon them. As each nation came under the yoke Freemasonry was proscribed and Freemasons banished or sent to concentration camps. Lodges were broken up and the property of the lodges confiscated or destroyed.

But in his lust for power and conquest, the dictator overlooked one very important detail and that was that in the heart of the great Masonic Nation, England, there was a courage, a loyalty to ideal, a love of liberty that knew no bounds and a willingness to fight to the end for their cause of right, liberty and justice, and the juggernaut that had rolled over the countries of the continent one by one, came to an abrupt halt when it met the might of Great Britain, and we here in America may well be proud that our Masonic origin was in that gallant country, that today is waging a terrible war and bearing up under unthinkable

torture, that democratic ideals may not be entirely eradicated from the face of the earth . . . While those in authority prepare the nation with its military might, let us as Masons, make it our programme to prepare the people in their hearts to know and understand the great issue that is at stake in the war. It is a war that will decide whether the inhabitants of the world will go on as free peoples, shaping their own lives and enjoying all of the personal liberties that we have known or whether they will again be crushed down in the slavery of the dark ages. The issue is plain and there can be no decision until one side is wholly victorious.

I, here, would like to make one important suggestion to the Lodge Officers and Programme Committees, and that is that the length of the programme be curtailed so that the lodge may be closed at a fairly early hour. This gives the brethren an opportunity to fraternize and the visiting Grand Officers a chance to meet the membership and still start their return journeys in time to reach home at some reasonable hour. Many times the meetings are prolonged with musical numbers and many speeches and carried far into the night and the opportunity for real fraternity is entirely lost.

MICHIGAN, 1941 (Grand Master)

Monthly meetings of line officers were regularly held at which consideration was given to important matters affecting this Grand Jurisdiction, and one policy adopted at these meetings was that special dispensation to complete Masonic work in less than a lunar month on draftees would be granted if petitioner was under 22 years of age, provided he complied with Section 3 of Article XVIII, page 63 of the Blue Book; if 22 years old or older, special dispensation to be denied because petitioner had had an opportunity to present his petition and receive his work in a regular manner and had failed to take advantage of such opportunity.

It is very evident that lodges are receiving and will continue to receive increased numbers of petitions for Masonic degrees and because of this increase, lodges should

be particularly careful in their action on these petitions. This influx of petitions must not lead to the sacrifice of quality of work for speed, nor lower the requirements of proficiency.

QUEENSLAND, 1941 (Board of General Purposes)

The President: Clause (c) records that it was decided to recommend to Grand Lodge the issue of a travelling card of membership to those brethren leaving Australia on active service. Secretaries of lodges may obtain these cards on application to Grand Lodge. I have here a copy of the proposed travelling certificate which any interested Worshipful Brethren may see upon calling at the Secretary's desk after this meeting. There have been a few requests to Grand Lodge from Secretaries of lodges to know whether such a card is to be issued. I know it has been done by other Grand Lodges in Australia, and the Board thought it desirable that such a Card should be issued, recommending a brother who might wish to have the pleasure of meeting other members of the Craft in the course of his travels.

CALIFORNIA (Grand Master)

The task then of Masonic lodges in these times is a simple one, for the task of the lodge is nothing more than the task of the individual Mason; that task is to continue to be loyal to the philosophy of government and the laws of the country in which we reside, even we may rightfully disagree with certain techniques and work for what we individually feel to be the welfare of mankind. It means to continue such practices in our relationships with men as will keep this a united nation, it means the insistence upon the rights of others in order that there may be rights for all. It means continuing to demand that the freedom of every man shall be respected in order that there may be freedom for all, and above all it means in these times that every Mason should with great intelligence and deliberation, exercise that steadying influence in his own circle of friends, which is so essential if we are to avoid chaotic thinking and precipitous action.

QUEENSLAND, 1941 (Board of General Purposes)

In reply to a question from the District Grand Lodge of North Queensland anent political meetings in Masonic Hall Buildings, it was decided that no Masonic Hall that has been dedicated can be used for any purposes other than Masonic: but that any portion of the building that has not been dedicated can be used for political meetings. Reports on applications received for permission to ballot for candidates for Initiation and Joining Brethren.

NEW YORK, 1941 (Grand Master)

The tendency is strong in many of our lodges to maintain the line of appointed officers intact in response to an unwritten rule that once appointed in line only death or a major catastrophe can intervene to stop a brother's progress to the East. There have been many demonstrations that this programme is not always wise. There should be no presumption so strong as to enable an unqualified brother to progress by easy stages to the East but rather it should be a matter of supreme importance that the leadership of lodges should be in the hands of those best qualified to serve.

However, whether a brother arrives at the East by operation of the calendar or because of particular qualifications, he will be a better Master if he shall have been trained in a knowledge of the ritual, philosophy, history and law of the Craft, and particularly in those techniques of leadership which all successful leaders must and do employ.

IDAHO, 1941 (Grand Master)

It is indeed a privilege for which we should be thankful that we have the opportunity to meet here today. The totalitarian powers have destroyed Masonry in Europe—I say Masonry, meaning lodges, but we who know and live Masonry know that the Mason is not destroyed and the flame still burns with a fervent heat. We are gathered here

today at a time when this great land of ours and Freemasonry as an institution are facing the greatest crisis that has confronted us, dangers from within and without our borders. Shortly after my election as Grand Master I chose as my theme for the year "Masonic Citizenship" and I have endeavored to carry this out through the assistance of the District Deputy Grand Masters and Educational Committee. I am glad to say that I have had very able assistance from this group in doing this.

My brethren, why do the dictators hate Masonry? "Because it fosters a moral fibre among its members, that does not mix with tyranny and oppression." Freemasons as I have found throughout my travels during the year are determined to keep these United States of America intact as the land of the free and home of the brave, a people with free thought and a free way of living. It is my prayer that all who live in this great land of ours can see and protect the privileges that come to us under our form of government. Let us at this time give our heartfelt sympathy and encouragement to those brothers across the seas who are shedding their heart's blood to preserve their free way of living as well as protecting ours.

Dispensations Granted: June 29—To Hailey Lodge No. 16, Hailey, to hold a special Communication of Hailey Lodge on July 19, 1941, on top of Baldy Mountain at Sun Valley, at which time Hailey Lodge was to confer the third degree of Masonry upon a candidate. After proper investigation I was convinced that the place that this meeting was held afforded the proper seclusion.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1941 (Grand Master)

The Grand Master granted a number of Dispensations for the purpose of conferring degrees upon candidates who had entered the army or navy or were about to be called into the services.

He also approved a number of lodge By-Laws reducing the fees for degrees, and one for the waiving of dues for 50 year members.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Last year when we met we were all wondering what was going to happen in international affairs. Now we know. We know, too, that our Empire, stabbed in the back by many of those countries whom she thought she could trust, is left to fight single-handed the battle of righteousness and liberty, and to strive to restore to down-trodden peoples the freedom which their rulers, without reference to them, have thrown away. The hardness of this task must be apparent to us all, but the confidence with which our Empire is undertaking it must cause our enemies both within and without furiously to think. I have sometimes tried to analyse the underlying cause of that confidence. It seems to me that the British people, as a whole, have, for centuries past, thought and talked of a world governed by faith in God, by regard for honesty and truth, by a desire for freedom and liberty, and by a belief that harmony and goodwill can only be achieved by observing the canon of the Golden Rule. We have thought all these things, we have talked these things, and we have taught these things. These ideas have become so ingrained in our system that they have become as crimson threads woven into the very texture of our being. They have been the common conception of the race, and by no section more earnestly advocated than by Freemasons. Now that the time of trial has come, we have advanced from the abstract to the concrete, and are proving by our actions that the virtues we thought about and talked about are the only things that matter. To that end we are pressing dauntlessly forward, strong in our faith that—

"Right is right, since God is God,
And Right the day must win;
To doubt would be disloyalty,
To falter would be sin."

It is said of one Church that its policy never changes though all the world around may change, and I think we may say the same of the Craft. Though Empires have flourished and vanished, though forms of government have changed, though all about us there are evidences of changing civilization, the basic principles of Freemasonry have remained the same. They have never lost sight of those eternal

verities upon which alone the happiness of mankind must be based. Whenever the doctrines of materialism and atheism have sought to undermine the faiths of the world Freemasonry has remained true to its belief in the existence of God; wherever intolerance and class hatred have raised their ugly heads, it has opposed them with lessons of tolerance and of respect for what man is, not for what he is worth or what position he may hold in society; where governments based upon liberty and freedom have been attacked by despotism and the blight of totalitarianism, it has stood firm for freedom and thought and individual liberty. In a word it has held without wavering to the principles of brotherly love, relief and truth, and has ever set its face against dishonesty, dishonor and duplicity. The effect of these principles upon the individual Freemason is shown unquestionably by the extent to which his character is moulded.

Question of Amalgamation: As brethren are aware, I have been for a long time deeply interested in the question of the amalgamation of the different Constitutions working in this State into one United Grand Lodge. With that end in view I wrote to the Grand Master Mason of Scotland, suggesting that the permission granted some years ago to their District Grand Master here to hold a conference with Grand Lodge upon the matter be renewed. Approval was given and a conference consisting of representatives appointed by myself and the District Grand Masters was arranged. This conference after several meetings, unanimously agreed upon a basis for submission to the lodges. The two District Grand Masters of the Scottish Constitution then asked their Grand Lodge for permission to place these terms before every Scotch Lodge for acceptance or otherwise. The idea was that the terms should be presented to the Scotch Lodges by way of a concerted move, so that the opinion of those lodges as a whole on the question of the establishment of a United Grand Lodge might be secured.

I have some reason to believe that the Grand Lodge of Scotland is not prepared to allow the matter to be decided in this way. That Body considers that the procedure laid

down in the Agreement of 1907 between the two Grand Lodges should be followed. Under that Agreement any Scotch Lodge desiring to transfer its allegiance must first ask the Grand Lodge of Scotland for permission to discuss the matter and if that permission is granted then a Special Meeting of the lodge must be called after 21 days' notice to consider the question which can only be carried provided two thirds of the brethren present at the meeting vote for it. The Grand Lodge of Scotland must then be informed of the result.

In considering the matter the Grand Lodge of Scotland appears to have overlooked the fact that it is not sought to absorb the Scotch Lodges but to amalgamate the two Constitutions into one united body. The question to be dealt with is not, therefore, absorption, but the entirely different one of amalgamation, a result which would, I am certain, be favored by the Masonic brethren generally in this State. In our opinion the methods suggested by the District Grand Masters, to which the consent of the Grand Lodge of Scotland was sought, are the only ones by means of which a full and complete expression of opinion can be secured, and unless it can be done in that or some equally effective way all questions of a basis for amalgamation must fall to the ground. It is not possible nor would it be advisable to have those terms considered by any individual lodge apart altogether from a concerted movement. We are quite prepared to give every consideration to an individual Scotch Lodge desiring to transfer its allegiance to the Grand Lodge of Western Australia, provided it carries out the procedure laid down in the Agreement of 1907. But we are not prepared to consider the question of a United Grand Lodge unless we are definitely assured that there will not, after its establishment, be any Masonic Authority in this State other than the United Grand Lodge. There is another point in the precedure required by the Grand Lodge of Scotland that needs to be taken into consideration. As things stand at present it is possible for more than two thirds of the Scotch Lodge to decide to transfer its allegiance and for the remaining third, provided they are at least five in number, to

continue working under the Scottish Constitution as an existing Lodge. This has happened in the case of two lodges and might easily happen again.

Attached to the Report made by Grand Committee and approved by the Grand Lodge of Scotland is this significant paragraph:

> "The Committee desire to record their appreciation of the long and harmonious relationship which has existed with these Daughter Lodges, and would much regret if any step was now taken which would result in the severance of the filial ties of affection and esteem which bind all these Lodges to their Mother Grand Lodge."

This is quite evidently meant to discourage Scotch Lodges from making a move, as well as being an indication that the Grand Lodge of Scotland does not view with favor the establishment of a United Grand Lodge in this State.

I believe that the time is ripe for amalgamation and there is overwhelming evidence that the great body of the Craft of both Jurisdictions in Western Australia believe it too. There is some almost unanimous belief that as we are competent to manage our own affairs in every other walk of life and are doing so successfully, we are equally competent to control the affairs of Masonry within the State.

Unfortunately the Grand Lodge of Scotland, with no knowledge of the Masonic position, and apparently quite ignorant of the general trend of affairs in Australia, is not prepared to concede to its lodges here the right of self-determination. That attitude, which is a Masonic step backward, is much to be regretted. Our only course, and the only course of our Scottish brethren here, is to persist in our endeavors to enlighten the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and to hope that wiser counsels will very quickly bring about a better understanding of the position, and a decision we hope not to stand in the way of a wise and progressive movement.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, 1941 (Board of General Purposes)

Brethren of Enemy Nationality: That no brother being a National of any State with which Great Britain is at war shall attend or be admitted to any Masonic meeting held under the Western Australian Constitution.

That in respect to the period of this prohibition such brethren who are members of the Western Australian Constitution be absolved from the payment of subscriptions to the private lodges to which they belong, and such lodges are also absolved from payment of capitation fees in respect thereto.

That no period of this prohibition shall be reckoned as arrears for the purpose of cessation of membership.

ALABAMA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Freemasonry has withstood alike the ravages of time, the covert designs and open assaults of enemies, in the past, and will continue to do so in the future. Crushed to the earth by her enemies in those countries cursed with leadership that is not capable of realizing the importance of the teachings and principles of Masonry in the lives of men, it has risen again and again from the soil enriched by its own ashes.

Requiring only a belief in and veneration for Deity, Freemasonry includes both Jew and Gentile. It is patriotic without being partisan. It is religious but not sectarian. It recognizes but one standard of faith—the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man.

I feel that it is fitting that we should at this time pause for a moment and give thanks to the Supreme Architect of the Universe—our Supreme Grand Master, for having spared us for another year and permitted us to prosper in the attainment of knowledge and virtue—the two essentials for the spreading of light for the edification of the world.

MEXICO, YORK GRAND LODGE, 1941 (Grand Master)

We must realize that we are living today in a war-torn and unhappy world which threatens the very destruction of all teachings and land marks as practised for centuries in our sacred order; that in many parts our Grand Lodges and their constituent bodies have been outlawed and must remain inactive until happier times shall come again. Let us, who are more fortunate, carry on with an increased fervor in the practice of the sublime teachings of our ancient and time-honored brotherhood of Free and Accepted Masons and each strive to become outstanding examples of Charity and Tolerance in the communities in which we live, and thus keep in order the foundation on which a universal brotherhood of man may eventually be built.

VERMONT, 1941 (Acting Grand Master)

The report is unique in that it reviews the address and work of an "Acting" Grand Master. The address as a whole is excellent and shows that time, thought and effort has been given to the office so suddenly thrust upon him.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Among the distinguished guests presented were M.W. Bro. Canon George R. Calvert, Grand Master, also M.W. Bros. William Douglas, Harry Woods and John T. Boyd, P.G.Ms., R.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker, S.G.W., of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. They were welcomed with "God Save the King", greeted by Grand Master Naylor, conducted to the East where the Grand Honors were given heartily.

We meet today in this beautiful Temple Auditorium in comparative peace, free from the anxiety of aerial bombs and possible death. We come from various parts of this State where conditions never before have given greater promise of a more abundant harvest. We come from homes and our places of business and profession with only one objective and that is to give an accounting of the accomplishments of the past year and to plan how best we can make a larger

contribution to the improvement of the individual Mason and through him to the betterment of our several communities and to the State as a whole, for, as in older days, the Freemason was a builder, so we in these later days must be builders of a better and nobler community and national life. We cannot do all, but we are recreant to our Masonic vows if we do not do something. While it is true that our Nation is girding itself as never before to protect our American way of Life, all this effort is not for conquest or aggression. We are endeavoring to be in position to meet, and if necessary destroy the most brutal and ruthless force ever known in history which proposes to establish a new order wherein the individual is nothing, the state everything; where God is no longer worshipped but where pagan theories control and where the great principles for which Freemasonry has always stood are to be crushed under the iron heel of a military dictator. The Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of North Dakota believes that the ways of peace are ways of pleasantness and for fifty-two years now it has tried to do its part in arousing in its own membership the ideals of manhood and good citizenship, in aiding the causes of education, in endeavoring to develop in the youth of this State a love of books and reading and an appreciation of the value of effective public appearance and address. We have not done all we could but we have made for this great Fraternity a respected and honorable place in this Commonwealth. We must continue to maintain those standards of human values which emphasize the place of democracy in the life of the individual as well as the state, the imperative need always of religion, and the fact that only upon the home and family can we build an enduring civilization.

In the future as in the past let us raise a standard to which the wise and the honest can repair; the event is as always in the hands of God.

NEVADA, 1941 (Grand Master)

My brethren, the subversive forces that are at work in our country, undermining our government and our free

institutions, are poisoning the minds of our younger generation. These forces are at work in our schools, in our factories and wherever they come in contact with young people, endeavoring to sway the minds of our boys and girls who are to be our future rulers. Our schools should be the mold and fashioner of the lives and characters of our children. We must realize that in order to fit our younger generation for the sacred trust to come, we must train them to think right. Solomon said, "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart therefrom." Today in some countries of this so-called civilized world we have Dictators, false beliefs and wrong thinking. Free speech and free thought are forbidden and the worship of God denied, Masonry must realize that these conditions are a serious menace to American Democracy which in fact is a Masonic Democracy, for it was established by our forefathers on Masonic principles. Our Declaration of Independence contained fifty-six signatures; fifty of the signers were Masons. At the constitutional Convention which adopted our Constitution there were fifty-five delegates; fifty were Masons. Of George Washington's twenty-nine Major-Generals twenty were Masons, and of his sixty Brigadier-Generals all but one were members of our Fraternity. The hostile condition of the world today makes it imperative that we not only carry on a defence programme but that we unite so that our people will act as one in all national emergencies. We must train and educate our younger generation to think right from childhood if we are to have team work in every crisis where the safety of our government and the welfare of our people is concerned. It has been my thought that present world conditions have afforded us a greater opportunity for making Masonry the builder of men, men of a higher character, with greater strength of purpose, and I sincerely hope that Masonry will in the future produce men for the needs of civilization, men who will give themselves to worthwhile tasks and who are unafraid in the face of adversity. Brethren, this sick world demands of every man and every institution the best.

MISSOURI, 1941 (Grand Master)

It has become necessary for the public welfare and the national defence of the country to train our young men for military service. Training these young men is on a universal basis. The richest of our people must serve, as well as the poorest, in the forces which are now being trained for the defence of the country.

It was my duty, in 1917 and 1918, to serve all through that emergency in the 35th Division, a National Guard Organization made up of volunteers from Missouri and Kansas. In that emergency lodges in a great many States and in a great many cities, took down the bars, and without the proper investigation made thousands of men Freemasons who were not first Freemasons in their hearts. In this emergency, which we now face, our great Fraternity MUST NOT REPEAT that error.

In my service in France I was struck by the fact that nowhere in the welfare work for soldiers was Freemasonry represented. As your Grand Master, and as a United States Senator, it was my privilege to visit the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, on occasions when Masonic welfare for the soldiers was being discussed at some length, and I am completely convinced that if the Grand Lodges of the United States would co-operate in a National organization for the Masonic welfare of our young men now in training, the welfare of the Nations, and our Fraternity, would be very materially helped. I have made a thorough investigation of the Masonic Service Association of the United States, of its personnel, and of what it proposes to do, and I have come to the conclusion that this Grand Lodge should do all it possibly can to support this Masonic Service Association for a Masonic National contact with our armed forces.

Our country is facing the greatest emergency in its history. Our Masonic Fraternity must also face that emergency on a national basis.

I am, therefore, suggesting that the Grand Lodge of Missouri join the Masonic Service Association and co-operate fully with the other Grand Lodges of the country for service to the soldiers in this emergency.

The Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Missouri, is contributing One Thousand Dollars to this great cause. Your Grand Master is making a contribution of one-half his salary as Grand Master for the year. I hope, brethren, that this great organization will do its duty fully and completely in this national emergency.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Expressions of Loyalty: Freemasonry has for its foundation the great basic principles of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man, and the initiate is taught on his first introduction to Masonic teaching the important duties he owes to God, to his neighbor, and to himself.

Immediately following these instructions, it is enjoined upon him to be exemplary in the discharge of his civil duties, thus indelibly impressing upon his mind the importance which we, as Freemasons, attach to the unswerving loyalty due to our King and country.

In such times as these our hearts and emotions are stirred to the utmost in our endeavor to give expression to our feelings, and at every gathering of Freemasons the words of the National Anthem assume a new meaning to us in our fervent supplication to Almighty God on behalf of our Sovereign and Empire.

That our beloved King is a Freemason and a Past Grand Master of both England and Scotland, and his brother, the Duke of Kent, is the Grand Master of England, are sufficient manifestations of the indissoluble ties that bind the Empire and Freemasonry together.

This attachment is so obviously evident in all our Masonic associations that it is abundantly clear to the whole

world that we, as Freemasons, stand for allegiance to our King and country, and all the covenants and responsibilities included in the obligation of citizenship.

At a time like the present we again pledge our unswerving loyalty, and our prayer is "God Save the King".

Past Masters' Jewels: At the beginning of August there appeared in the public press an intimation to the effect that H.R.H. the Duke of Kent, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, had suggested to the Freemasons of England that those brethren who had Past Master's or other jewels of value, and so desired, would add materially as a contribution to the country's needs if they passed them into the Treasury for the value of the gold they contained.

Before this announcement appeared two of our own brethren took their jewels to the Grand Lodge Office and offered to donate them for their intrinsic value to the Commonwealth as a free-will offering. More recently, a letter was received, addressed to the Grand Secretary, which read as follows: "Silver and gold have I none; so I am sending on my jewels for you to dispose of, and put the proceeds to the fund for war-broken Masonic soldiers. Hard times have robbed me of the opportunity to contribute to many of the patriotic funds, nor can I serve bodily. I feel, however, that I can use these jewels without in any way causing my family more hardship or denying my creditors their due. Please make my gift anonymous."

Brethren, the teachings of Masonry are evident in such an act, and there may be other brethren who are prepared to sacrifice these tokens of service as their contribution to Australia's efforts to raise money. There are other brethren, of course, who place a sentimental value on these jewels far higher than their intrinsic worth. In my opinion any action in this regard should be left to the individual concerned, so long as he is assisting the common cause.

Improper Use of the Word "Masonic": The practice of improperly using the word "Masonic" in its application to matters of any kind which may come before the public, has been the subject for comment by Grand Masters and Boards of General Purposes for a number of years.

In 1919, at a Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of England, the Board reported that it had noted with great disapprobation, the increasing tendency towards the publication of matter in proceedings of lodge meetings and gatherings in the public press.

A year later the Board again referred to the matter, stating that there continued to be published details and descriptions of Masonic gatherings. Continuing, it said: "It goes to show that either some Freemasons must have short memories or they are regardless of the import of pronouncement of Masonic authority."

I am only referring again to what other Grand Masters in the past have thought when they said that publications of Masonic proceedings in the public press are of no interest to the general public.

They savor of publicity and parade, which we discountenance and discourage, and I am inclined to dwell upon the question of good taste and etiquette rather than upon the breach of regular practice.

It is not unusual to see a ball which follows an installation ceremony called a "Masonic Ball", and one lodge even went so far as to introduce a "Masonic One-Step". A ball should not be dignified by the term "Masonic" because it follows an installation ceremony, and particularly when tickets have been available to anyone of the general public. The true significance of the application of the word "Masonic" to common-place things should be appreciated because, on reflection, what is there about a ball or a function of a similar nature which makes it "Masonic"?

The use by Freemasons of the words "Freemason" and "Masonic" is a right to be jealously guarded.

There is another aspect, and that is, when the use of the word "Masonic" is applied to a public function, or other activity of any kind, there may be created certain features accompanying such enterprises which would discredit the reputation of Freemasonry.

War Relief Collections: Recent enquiries have been made at the Grand Lodge Office by lodges whether they are controlled by the Collections for Charitable Purposes Act, and must have a license in asking their members for voluntary contributions towards the War Relief Fund.

An application was made to the proper quarters for a license, asking if one were required in the circumstances when it was our intention to collect money from the members of our Order only, and not in any way to solicit from the public. A reply has been received from the Chief Secretary's Office, stating that the Advisory Committee reports that the mere subscribing or contributing of Lodges, Masonic Bodies, or Freemasons to a fund for the purpose of rendering assistance to our own brethren or their dependants, would not be collecting within the meaning of Section 6 of the Act.

Lodges, therefore, are at liberty to make donations from their own funds so long as there is no public appeal.

Festive Boards: Following is the text of a circular recently addressed by the Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England to lodges of that Jurisdiction:

> "I am commanded by the M.W. the Grand Master, H.R.H. the Duke of Kent, K.G., to inform you that during the period of hostilities it is his wish that the refreshments provided after Lodge meetings should be as simple as possible to conform with the need for national economy. The Grand Master is aware of the benefit which is derived from social intercourse between Brethren, but in view of the present national requirements His Royal Highness feels sure that the necessity for exercising moderation in the after-proceedings will be realized by all."

Since the outbreak of the present war, many of our lodges have gone to considerable lengths to repress extravagance in their proceedings at the Festive Boards or in connection with other functions with which the annual installations are celebrated. In numerous instances the saving thus effected has been diverted to purposes and organizations associated with the Empire's war effort, and I am happy to think that this spirit of self-sacrifice and service is increasingly evident all over the Jurisdiction.

While it is not desirable to unreasonably dislocate the important place in Masonic activities which the after-proceedings have occupied for centuries, a balanced moderation in connection with the Festive Board proceedings is to be commended. I feel certain that no Lodge will so comport itself as to warrant any suggestion of indifference to the pressing emergency of these fateful days.

Refugee Brethren: From time to time, enquiry has been made as to the position of refugee brethren from Europe who claim to have been members of Masonic lodges in Jurisdictions in Fraternal relationship with the Grand Lodge of South Australia, but who, as result of being deprived of their papers before leaving, are unable to produce essential documentary evidence of entitlement to our privileges. Naturally, they have not been admitted into our lodges.

The decision of the Grand Lodge of England, when confronted with a similar problem, was that any person who claimed to be a Mason, but was unable to produce documentary evidence of the fact, would have to be proposed, initiated, passed, and raised "de novo", when, of course, he would be entitled to a certificate and restoration to Masonic privileges.

This matter has received the careful consideration of our Board of General Purposes, which has adopted the principle enunciated by the Grand Lodge of England. In this case, I feel that this Grand Lodge cannot do better than follow the lead of the Mother Grand Lodge of the World, and I now confirm the decision reached by our Board.

ARIZONA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Today is challenging Masons to live a real Masonic life; to be true to Masonic conceptions of liberty and justice; to practice those truly Masonic virtues of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

The goal of Freemasonry should always be to promote the general welfare of mankind. To be good and true is one of the first lessons taught by Freemasonry. Hence, while influenced by these virtues we should not only support that which contributes to the general welfare of mankind but we should at the same time oppose any philosophy of life or government that seeks to destroy all that mankind believes in and seeks to develop.

Through the dark ages of intolerance, superstition, and ignorance, our Fraternity has led her followers in the search for truth, light and knowledge. As in the past, the great need of today is for men who are committed to the principle of freedom of thought, unhampered by political or ecclesiastical dictation, the right of every man to seek after the truth which constitutes the only basis for freedom. To merit the heritage of a free people we must be strong as a people. Liberty, justice, and equality will be preserved for the American people only so long as the American people by their alertness, fidelity and sanity, cause them to be preserved and to endure.

Today, as we look across the seas at the Old World we wonder if once more the lights of civilization are being extinguished. For almost a decade or more we have watched governments fall. We have seen liberty die in other lands. We have seen free people and free governments destroyed. There are forces at work, even within our own borders, that are inimical to the principles of freedom and justice.

We have among us many people who are eternally striving to inculcate doctrines that in other parts of the world are producing international lawlessness and war, doctrines that are depriving the people of their liberties and of their lives.

Freemasonry gave to mankind the only measure of freedom he has ever known. Freemasonry gave to this country a government under which men enjoy greater liberty than under any other government of the world.

Masons were willing to sacrifice their lives for this dream of liberty. Are we today willing to dedicate our lives and energy in safeguarding this liberty for ourselves and for our posterity?

And now, brethren, we have work to do and may each one of us pray to the Great Architect of the Universe to give us wisdom and courage to do it well.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1941 (Grand Master)

We meet again under the shadow of war—ruthless, devastating war. Two great principles of life and government, democracy and totalitarianism, oppose one another in an "all-out" struggle. There can be no compromise. The magnificent heroism, unflinching courage and indomitable spirit of the people of Britain and her Allies in this hour of crisis afford us an outstanding example of a faith that will not "falter" and a resolution that will not "fail" until final and complete victory is achieved.

Let every Freemason at this time dedicate himself and devote his fullest energies to the great task of "deserving victory" so that freedom and justice may rule, with security instead of fear and brotherhood instead of hate filling the hearts of all men. The beautiful service in which we have participated not only teaches the reverence due from the creature to the Creator but also the privilege and duty of showing forth His glory and contributing to the happiness of mankind.

Throughout the Districts the activities of the District Deputies have shown enthusiastic and painstaking effort. They have endeavored conscientiously to supply leadership and give wise counsel to the various lodges. Under our system, however, the best results are not obtainable. The fact that he is D.D.G.M. for only one year does not give sufficient time to put into effect policies of individual analysis with constructive criticism and help to the lodges under his supervision. In my opinion, at least a two-year term is necessary to do this. Furthermore, Schools of Instruction

should be held to instruct D.D.G.M's. in all matters of ritual and procedure. An alternate system might be to have all D.D.G.M's. appointed by the Grand Master and hold office during the pleasure of succeeding Grand Masters. It seems to me that Grand Lodge would do well to consider this matter seriously in the near future. I would recommend that a Committee of Grand Lodge be set up at this Communication with instructions to report at the next Communication of Grand Lodge.

MAINE, 1941 (Grand Master)

Any one of us, even among those most thoroughly versed in masonic knowledge, and most widely read in masonic literature and history, would be hard pressed to express, within an approximate fifty words, the basic ideals of Freemasonry. Mercury recently carried an article about a book, published by Adolf Hitler's own publishing house in 1938, under a title which, translated, means "Freemasonry; Its World View, Organization and Policies," wherein, if the quotation carried in the article is accurate, those basic ideals seem to be well summarized in forty words, although breaks in two places show that the sentence from which the words are quoted may be considerably longer. I quote:

> "Masonic Lodges are . . . associations of men who, closely bound together in a union employing symbolical usages, represent a supra-national spiritual movement, the idea of Humanity . . . a general association of mankind, without distinction of races, peoples, religions, social and political convictions."

Freemasonry, as each and every one of us must know, and must have known, since first, at its altar, we declared our trust "in God", is founded in religion, but not denominational religion. Freemasonry, we know, as always since first we heard the charge at the close of the First Degree, inculcates good citizenship, not according to any particular governmental formula, but under whatever sovereignty the initiate may then, or thereafter, make his home. Freemasonry embraces men of every religious faith, save such as ban the

institution, and men of every nationality, excepting only those who are forbidden to become members. Freemasonry, as so tersely stated by the German writer, makes no distinction whatsoever of races, or peoples, or religions, or convictions, either social or political. This, one of the undoubted elements of our strength, which tended, heretofore, to contribute to our universality, has become in recent years, if not an element of weakness, at least a mainspring for our present troubles. This it is, outstandingly, wherein our institution runs counter to the thoughts, the plans, and the hopes of that ideology of government embraced within the broad term "totalitarianism".

The beginnings of Freemasonry go back to a time which cannot be determined with exactitude, if we accept as credible all the tracings of origin which are offered as such, or even those only which come down to us as reasonably established. For present purposes, I am going to assume that the existence of Freemasonry as an institution dates back only to the organization of the first Grand Lodge in London in 1717. Measured by that yardstick, it is now in its 225th year. While it is not important in the present discussion, I pause to note that Freemasonry in Maine, while its separate existence as a masonic Jurisdiction is entering upon only its 122nd year, has existed since its number one lodge (I speak chronologically) was chartered, on March 30, 1769. That lodge, Portland, is now in its 173rd year.

For a period of just 200 years, or until the Bolsheviks, soon after their ascendency in 1917, dissolved all masonic lodges in Russia, Freemasonry was subject to the usual vicissitudes which inevitably face such an institution. With alternating periods of prosperity and growth, of depression and recession, its constant trend was an increasing strength and vitality which gave it the force and influence to meet those denunciations, suspicions and persecutions which fell to its lot. The late Wendell Phillips, speaking of revolutions, of changes, of movements, many years ago, remarked upon the impossibility of designating an illustrious moment in history as the time when any particular change or movement began. "The beginning of a great change," he said, "is like

the rising of the Mississippi. You must stoop and gather away the pebbles to find it. But soon it swells broader and broader; bears on it bosom the navies of a mighty republic; forms the gulf and divides a continent." The thought underlying that statement serves to indicate, first, as to the real antiquity of our institution, that as the beginnings of Freemasonry must ante-date by far its outward manifestation in the founding of the first Grand Lodge, the timing of which may be compared to that location, over the vast reach from the source of the Mississippi to its mouth, where might be borne "the navies of a mighty republic;" and second, as to our present prospects, that as the beginnings of totalitarianism must ante-date by far its first outward manifestation in the then tottering Russia, so inevitably, unless its spread be arrested, will it utterly destroy Freemasonry, and all the basic ideals represented thereby, throughout all the world.

That this statement represents more than idle fear is apparent if one considers thoughtfully the events of slightly more than twenty years following the advent of Bolshevism. Commencing in 1917, what seems to be an inevitable conflict began. That conflict opened up when sharp distinctions began to develop, and to secure governmental strength, not, at the beginning, with reference to races, or peoples, or religions, but to "social and political convictions." One placing a trust in God; or having a concept of distinction between right and wrong; or having tolerance, even the slightest, for opposing political views; or charged with responsibility in the State

> "to be a quiet and peaceful subject, true * government, and just to * country"
> or to "conform with cheerfulness to the government of the country."

became suspect. The lodges, in which Freemasons might congregate together, were dissolved. Commencing in Russia in 1917, the trend to a totalitarian outlawing of Freemasonry became a constantly increasing one.

In 1919, Bela Kun, proclaiming dictatorship in Hungary, ordered dissolution of all masonic lodges. His overthrow did not bring their restoration. In 1924, Mussolini decreed

that Fascists, who were Masons, must abandon one of the two organizations, and the year following he dissolved Freemasonry. In the same year, 1925, General Primo de Rivera, establishing dictatorship in Spain, abolished the institution. In 1933, when the Nazis took over in Germany, one of the first official statements was that there was "no place for Freemasonry" in National Socialist Germany.

Thus it stood when appeasement was born. Freemasonry by the edict of dictators, regardless of the will of its membership, or of the peoples to which its members belonged, had ceased to have valid legal existence in Russia, in Hungary, in Italy, in Spain, and in the German Reich. Appeasement, which furthered the aggrandisement of totalitarianism, and particularly the Axis of Hitler and Mussolini, by concession after concession, made to secure a world peace which was never achieved, eliminated Freemasonry in the additional nations of Austria and Czechoslovakia. All this, before the advent of total war.

What time, heretofore, in history yet to be phrased by historians, as to the immediate past, or yet to be recorded, as to the future, may ultimately be found to have been, or to be, the hey-day of totalitarianism, it is now impossible to say. "Fondly do we hope, fervently do we pray," as the immortal Lincoln said in 1865, speaking with reference to the fraternal conflict then raging, "that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away." With equal fondness and fervency should we hope and pray that that hey-day was reached and passed in the short span of time intervening between the invasion of Denmark and Norway by the Nazis, and the fall of Paris to their seige, if so mobile a passage as was made by the German horde from the border of France to its capital in 1940 may be styled a seige. That short space of time spelled the end of Freemasonry, until totalitarianism shall cease, in Denmark, in Norway, in Holland, in Belgium, and in France. Earlier, it had passed from the scene in Poland, which was conquered. Later, it was prohibited in Rumania, in Bulgaria, and in Yugoslavia, lest continuance bring the ravages of the impending conqueror to abate it.

The outcome of what we know as the "Battle of Britain" will determine not merely the fate of the British Commonwealth of Nations, but that also of the Freemasonry now there existing. Freemasonry, to use the word of the clearly dominant Axis partner, has already become "Verboten" in all of Europe, except Sweden, Switzerland and the British Isles. With its fate, there, dependent upon the outcome of total war, in which totalitarianism has been proved so complete a master, it seems to be apparent that Freemasonry is at the cross-roads. The changed situation already existing. and the earnest now apparent of what may be still to come, unless that force which is now ravaging a large part of the world is met and overcome by a force equal to, or greater, than its own, have had an effect, which I hope will be found in the considered judgment of all of you to be a proper, rather than an improper, effect, upon some of my masonic acts in the year to be covered in the following brief and somewhat skeletonized account of my stewardship.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1941 (Grand Master)

We meet here as men actuated by the same ideals, we gather on common ground each seeking the welfare of each other. During our meetings, our past record will be reviewed and plans for the future will be formulated.

As we have done many times, we are meeting today in the historic city of Halifax, which for nearly two hundred years, has been privileged to watch the growth of the British Empire, and for many years it has been a very important post in Empire affairs. While men have come and gone, changes have taken place that have caused almost a revolution in our ways of living. Here in days gone by, have been witnessed great struggles for freedom—freedom of speech, and of worship as our own conscience may dictate.

Today we meet in the very midst of such a struggle— a struggle in which those who favor the democratic way of living are pitted against those who wish to force all peoples to accept their way—a way which is ruthlessly opposed to ours.

Last year, I spoke of the rise of the dictator nations and of the challenge they present to democratic peoples. During the year which has passed, we have watched their overthrow of other countries. Under their control has been brought nearly all of continental Europe. Most of this has been accomplished without a struggle on the part of the peoples concerned. It has been a case of the strong, unprincipled nations subduing its small weak neighbor.

In two cases armed opposition was offered to this invasion. Both these small nations chose to defend their love for freedom against overwhelming odds. Not for many years shall we forget the action of the gallant Greeks. Their indomitable spirit still motivates them to carry on the struggle.

During the year the peoples of the British Isles have been forced to undergo severe strain. Threats of invasion were ever present. Bombing from the sky has been an almost daily occurrence. In spite of the terrible conditions under which they have lived, they have not for one moment wavered in their determination to do all in their power to preserve that freedom which we all so highly prize.

The past twelve months have brought a changed viewpoint in many states not directly involved in this war. From the treatment meted out to conquered and politically invaded nations, the objects of the dictators have been clearly shown. They have recognized what their situation would be if Great Britain were forced to give in. Every one in this room is conversant with the measures taken by our sister nation to the south under the vigorous leadership of their great president, our brother in Freemasonry, Franklin D. Roosevelt. It has thrilled us to learn that the United States of America has thrown in her lot with us—that they are determined to do all in their power to bring about the overthrow of a godless and cruel system of government.

We can now readily understand what the rule of a dictator would mean to Freemasonry. We are all acquainted with the fact that in countries under the domination of Hitler, Freemasons have been forbidden to assemble. The

teachings of Freemasonry harmonize with those of Democracy. Thus, it is obvious that Nazism and Masonry can never live under the same roof.

Should we believe that Freemasonry has gone under in the countries where it has been abolished by government decree? **I do not think so.** While assembly is prohibited, yet the teachings and the ideals of Freemasonry are so implanted in the hearts and minds of its members, that when opportunity offers, it will thrive and spread its beneficient teachings as before.

What is our duty as Masons in relation to the present struggle? If our love for the Order is genuine, we will do everything in our power to further the war effort in our Empire. We will be of service wherever opportunity offers a chance to serve, each according to his ability. We will give as generously as our means permit to all organizations having to do with each and every phase of this great struggle. We will, more assiduously than ever before, uphold the principles and ideals for which our forefathers fought and bled and even died, so that the heritage which they left to us will be transmitted unimpaired to the generations that are to be.

The Light of Freemasonry must not be allowed to be dimmed. That light symbolizes all that is worth living for. Above all, and beyond all, it shows us the path that leads to the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man; it illumines the great truth that we best serve ourselves, by being of service to others; it guides us to the all important tenets of freedom of thought and action.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1941 (Grand Master)

To all representatives assembled, especially those who are here for the first time, I extend a very cordial welcome. I trust our deliberations will result in a further strengthening of our mutual ties, and that we will all return to our respective lodges encouraged and inspired anew by our association together.

We approach our deliberations today, brethren, in a spirit of solemnity, our country is still at war, our Empire is at this moment engaged in the most desperate struggle in its history. We regret the unsettled condition of the world, and deplore the fact of such wanton destruction in the Motherland and other parts of our Empire. We are heart-sick by the methods employed in this so-called modern warfare, where women and children, the aged and the helpless are placed in such hazardous positions. But these same men, women and children are playing a magnificent part in this great conflict; they are, by their heroic actions, encouraging those of our fighting forces to greater and still greater acts of valour and sacrifice. With their very lives they are endeavoring to protect to us those great principles of Freedom, Unity and Toleration, principles which have stood the test of time, without which our homes, our institutions, our very existence as a peaceful, law-abiding, God fearing nation would be placed in jeopardy.

By the indomitable spirit of our civilian population, by the determination of our leaders, both of government and of our fighting forces, by the splendid record in action, of our navy, our land forces and our air force, we feel deep inside of us that our right to live as a free nation will not be destroyed to us, and that British traditions will never be erased from the face of the earth.

To the United States of America, whose fraternal friendship we have enjoyed for so many years, we express our deepest feelings of gratitude for the magnificent way they are aiding our cause. May God prosper our united efforts.

Shortly after my installation as Grand Master I asked the members of the lodges in this Jurisdiction for the modest sum of one dollar per member, to create a fund for war and patriotic purposes, such fund to be dispersed previous to my term of office expiring. I beg to report I have received the sum of $5,150.00. After careful consideration of the objectives of the many funds created for war purposes, and learning of the thousands of cases of sufferings and hardships among that great army of non-combatants, I felt our first

duty was to them. I have, therefore, cabled $5,150.00, your contributions, brethren, to Sidney White, Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England, to be used for alleviation of distress, mentioning particularly Freemasons, their widows and orphans. Would that the amount had been larger, but to you who have contributed so freely, I say on behalf of those who will benefit, "Thank you."

Uppermost in the minds of all of us at the present time is the winning of the war. Freemasonry has been fighting a battle since its inception, the battle of the Golden Rule. We are, however, as an organization, opposed to physical violence, except in defense of our principles. The great struggle of endeavoring to improve man's earthly existence and prepare him for the better life, is the primary object of Freemasonry, and for the right to practice this principle, which is being grossly violated by our enemies, we must be prepared to sacrifice many of the comforts, many of the things we deem essential if we are to continue to enjoy the benefits and advantages of a free people.

Our forefathers, at great sacrifice to themselves, blazed the trail through the forests of tyranny and oppression, so must we who are living along the paved road of freedom prepare for even greater sacrifice if we would secure to ourselves and those who follow after, the right to live, think, and act according to our own conscience.

Many of our members are serving in His Majesty's forces, and are prepared to protect with their lives, those things we hold most dear; our earnest prayers go with them. We who are left behind have a definite part to play, trade and commerce must be maintained, the morale of our people sustained, equipment must be provided, tools of warfare must be assembled, all, that the great lessons explained to us by the working tools of life, of Freemasonry, will not be in vain.

In times like these when greed and power have, for a time, taken the place of peaceful living, I say, in times like these, we need more than ever before, to look beyond material things, and endeavor by precept and example to prove to

those misguided individuals, who are responsible for the condition of the world today, that there is a better and more kindly way of living; we need to plant our feet firmly on the ground, and pointing to the hill top, endeavor to complete that journey we commenced as Entered Apprentices.

The principles of Freemasonry are the very foundation of society and must never be blotted out; we must consider ourselves more in the light of what our earlier brethren were, a guild of workmen with a definite purpose in view. As a unit we are a strong organization, but our great strength lies in the individual effort of each member. By the integrity of our members our lodges are united, by the unity of lodges our Grand Lodge is inspired to greater achievements. If we would maintain the principles of Freemasonry we must rededicate ourselves and our lodges to the practice, to the fulfillment of those principles.

NEBRASKA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Charters: On January 7, 1941, the hall of George Armstrong Lodge No. 241, at Craig, Nebraska, burned. All of the furniture and paraphernalia was destroyed. On February 18, 1941, the Masonic Home of Craftsmen Lodge No. 314 of Lincoln, Nebraska, was completely destroyed by fire. Fortunately the Lodges had complied with the By-Laws and had photostatic copies of their charters which they were using. The original charters had been stored in the vault in the Grand Secretary's office. It was a very inexpensive and simple matter to obtain new photostatic copies. Had the original charters been destroyed, the lodges would have sustained serious loss.

The charter of a subordinate lodge is priceless and should be protected by the use of a photostatic copy. We again call the attention of all of the lodges to Section 72 of the By-Laws which permit the use of a photostatic copy of the charter and recommend that lodges which have not already procured photostatic copies do so.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Attacks on Freemasonry: For more than two centuries, Masonry has been the object of violent attacks by certain ecclesiastical powers and politico-religious personages. It is the policy of our fraternity ordinarily to ignore these attacks, to consider their source, and to proceed with our work in the even tenor of our way, undisturbed and undeterred by the storms of abuse directed against us. However, it behooves Freemasonry and Freemasons to take note of the warfare that is being made upon the fraternity and to be diligent, ready at all times and courageous in defence of the good name of Freemasonry and of its ideals, whenever the violence of the attacks made against it, justify and warrant such a course.

We have only to look to Europe for impressive examples of what can happen and is happening to Freemasonry to know that we must be vigilant and watchful for the welfare and safety of our fraternity and its ideals here in America. In recent times it is not difficult for one who follows the fulmination of certain publications representing anti-Protestant and anti-Masonic sectarian denominations, to observe that these century-old attacks are being renewed and that the warfare on the Masonic fraternity is taking on new life and increasing violence here in America. We, as Americans and as Masons, should always be on guard to defend Freemasonry and its principles against the attacks of those who hate it for its virtues and who seek to destroy it for their own selfish purposes. Let us not deceive ourselves with any foolish notion of appeasement or false sense of our safety and security. The world knows too well that for totalitarianism, whether it be ecclesiastical or political, there is no appeasement. Active, energetic and determined defense is the only answer. Let us always be ready with this answer when on any occasion it may be necessary.

Persecution of Masons and World Crisis: I pause here to extend, on behalf of all Masons of North Carolina, to our brethren in all foreign lands, where Freemasonry has been suppressed and Freemasons persecuted, our sincerest sym-

pathy, and to express our profoundest hope that some day, in the not too distant future, these crimes against them and against God and humanity will cease, and that the perpetrators of these monstrous inhumanities will meet their just reward in punishment befitting the atrocity of their grievous offenses.

It is unnecessary, I know, for me to comment upon the attitude of the Masons of North Carolina toward the crisis confronting the world at this time, and which threatens the very citadels of Democracy and free constitutional government. I feel confident in asserting that there is absolute unanimity among our membership in this State in supporting the policies of the government of the United States to prepare our country for every possible emergency and eventuality, and extend all possible aid to Britain, China, Greece and to all other peoples who are fighting and suffering for the ideals of Democracy, and the principles of national honor and independence.

I have requested that appropriate resolutions be presented at this communication of our Grand Lodge embodying a declaration of our convictions and the stand we take upon this subject.

OKLAHOMA, 1941 (Grand Master)

Elsewhere in the world tonight, bigotry and intolerance hold sway; men, women and little children are being taught to think and live in terms of hatred and destruction; and paganism, the unholy ambitions of men, greed, envy, and the lust to kill and to destroy are drenching the earth with human blood and spreading death and devastation; bringing to the world such suffering and sorrow, misery and woe as it has never before known. Nations have crumbled and other nations are crumbling under the iron heel of the dictator, whose god is might, whose creed is unbridled hate, and whose weapons are death, destruction and terrorism. Under the totalitarian order, unoffending nations and innocent peoples are ravaged; religion is trampled under

foot; the inalienable rights of men to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, are taken away; and freedom of conscience, speech and action are denied. Under the totalitarian order, our Masonic brethren suffer persecution, destruction or confiscation of property, imprisonment in concentration camps, and many suffer the fate of Masonic martyrs of the Middle Ages, for no reason save that Masons are taught to fear God, to love mankind, to think and reason, and to determine for themselves what is right in religion, government, and relations between men. No more, in those unhappy lands, does the gentle voice of Masonry proclaim the sublime doctrine of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

OKLAHOMA, 1941 (Grand Secretary)

Conferences of Grand Masters, Grand Secretaries, Masonic Service Association, and George Washington Memorial Association: On the afternoon and evening of February 22nd, 1940, in company with our Most Worshipful Grand Master, I attended the Conference of Grand Secretaries. There were thirty-seven Grand Jurisdictions represented by their Grand Secretaries.

The programme occupying the attention of the Conference was, as usual, the discussion of subjects which are practical and have to do with matters arising in the various Grand Jurisdictions of the United States more or less daily.

These Conferences are of great benefit to the Grand Secretaries who attend, in the way of having a better understanding and a full knowledge of the laws, usage and customs practiced in sister Grand Jurisdictions.

I realize that time will not permit me to go into detail in some of the important matters, but in order that you may have a full knowledge of the value that can arise from these Conferences, I herewith submit subjects that were discussed at this Conference:

1. The Value of Inter-Jurisdiction Visitations.

2. Shall not Symbolic Masonry Have a Definite Objective? If so, What Should It Be?

3. How Can We Save the Delinquent Brother and What Part Should the Secretary of the Lodge and the Grand Lodge Play in this Reclamation Progamme?

4. What Part, if any, Should the Fraternity play in Training the Youth of Our Country?

5. Is Masonry too Cheap?

6. Can or Should Lodge Secretaries Co-Operate with Secretaries of other Masonic Bodies by furnishing Them with Information Regarding Suspensions, Demits, etc.?

7. Should any Portion of a Year's Dues Paid in Advance be Refunded when a Brother takes a Demit?

To me the most interesting subject that was discussed, and apparently the most important, was "How Can We Save the Delinquent Brother, and What Part Should the Lodge Secretary and the Grand Lodge Play in This?" Much valuable information was gleaned from the discussion of Grand Secretaries whose Grand Jurisdictions had been showing a gain each year. The essence of their success was a concentration on the part of the Grand Master and the officers of the constituent lodges to keep constantly in mind the necessity of each individual member maintaining his good standing.

The second, and equally important subject was, "Can or Should Lodge Secretaries Co-Operate with Secretaries of other Masonic Bodies by furnishing them with Information Regarding Suspensions, Demissions, etc.?" This subject occupied a large portion of the time of the Conference. It was finally decided that because of the importance of the much abused condition in seemingly every Grand Jurisdiction, of a brother maintaining his membership in what is termed the higher bodies and allowing himself to go suspended in his Blue Lodge, a full and careful search should be made in every Grand Jurisdiction of the United States, and Brother Walter Stockwell, Grand Secretary of the Grand Jurisdiction of North Dakota, was requested to make such a survey and report back to the Conference of Grand

Secretaries his findings. Brother Stockwell will have a most interesting and valuable report, as I am sure that he has called on the Grand Secretaries of each Grand Jurisdiction for their opinion. Early in the year I furnished him what I felt was the solution and the cure for this situation.

CANADA in Ontario (Grand Master)

There is no officer of a lodge more valuable than a good secretary but there is also no officer of a lodge that can be a greater hindrance to its progress than a secretary who is indolent and inefficient. Better to be over-efficient than the reverse. While the Master of a lodge is supposed to be fully familiar with the rulings of Grand Lodge and should see that the undertakings of his lodge are fully in accord therewith, the secretary of a lodge, on account of his years of occupancy of the office, should be the one man of the lodge most thoroughly acquainted with the Constitution and the rulings. He should always be in a position to advise the Worshipful Master of the proper procedure. The harmonious co-operation of these two officers is most desirable and will go a long way, when properly functioning, to prevent any unauthorized acts. Frequently, when committees are appointed to carry out certain projects of the lodge, it is quite evident that the members of such committee are not familiar with the proper procedure. Then the lodge has been placed in the position of doing things without the proper sanction or even of doing things which are contrary to the recognized principles of Masonry. The first intimation the officials of Grand Lodge have of these violations is the arrival of the monthly summons at the office of the Grand Secretary or of the Grand Master. Then it is necessary for some action to be taken unless the supervising control of the doings of the Craft is to be lost entirely and no uniformity to be maintained. This produces embarrassment for all concerned, that is, the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary, and the lodge. Neither the Grand Master nor the Grand Secretary wishes to embarrass the officers of a lodge; but, on the other hand, neither do they wish to be embarrassed.

All this could very easily be avoided by seeing that things are done according to established custom and that the Grand Secretary has been duly informed of the proposed undertaking. He, in his turn, will carefully advise what is necessary to be done and in what order. Then the enterprise may be proceeded with and all will be satisfactory. It is the desire of all Grand Masters and of the Grand Secretary to assist and to co-operate with the constituent lodges in their activities and to make Masonry in the various Districts something that is distinctive and that is practised under conditions which warrant official recognition in conformity with the fundamental principles of the Order. It is respectfully suggested that officers of lodges who have been entrusted with the guidance and control of lodge affairs, under the supervision of Grand Lodge, will make it a point to carry out those duties with the greatest attention to correctness of detail.

Masonry has, throughout the centuries, been called upon at various times to show reason for its existence. All manner of selfish motives have been advanced by those opposed to it. At no time was this truer than at the present time. The dictators of Europe have striven to suppress Masonry and Masonic influence. They may seemingly outwardly accomplish this, in part; but, when good men have joined the Order, have understood its teachings, and have endeavored to practise the tenets thereof, no amount of compulsion will ever cause them to forsake the Masonic Order and its principles. When men have joined the Craft for selfish reasons and have utilized the Order for ulterior purposes, wrong impressions are given the outside world of our objectives and of our teachings. It is incumbent upon each of us to review our lives and our attitude to our Order; to renew our obligations with a fuller understanding of the same and of what the object of the whole Craft is, whether it be in Canada, Africa, or Cathay. Acts and intentions are what count. Where the proper intent is, the action will be in accord therewith and will be quite understandable by all those on the outside who wish to understand. Under such conditions the future of Masonry is secure.

The present time is one that calls upon each one of us to exercise all his energy to provide for the many appeals made to us. While many feel that these are too numerous, yet each and every one is of such pressing necessity that we cannot overlook them or allow them to pass without subscribing to them. The special appeals to Masons are likewise very necessary. In a body of one hundred thousand Masons there must needs be a certain percentage who, for one reason and another, have fallen on hard times and are not able to support either themselves or their dependents. Sickness and death have also left in their wake a number of members and dependents without any, or with very little, means of support. While Masonry is not an organized mutual benefit society, we have ever taken a keen interest in benevolence and, while we do not advertise this phase of Masonry, we are very pleased to be able to help those of our connection who are in need or in distress.

OHIO, 1941 (Grand Master)

District Deputy Grand Masters: I have given the matter of District Deputy Grand Masters considerable thought during the year. The need for better informed lodge officers has been apparent for some time. In order to make possible this needed improvement, Grand Masters and Grand Lodge Officers have been resorting to various methods of imparting information that would give us more efficient officers and consequently better and more successful lodges. There is gradually evolving from these efforts a very definite plan for a school of instruction, where members imbued with a sense of the high ideals of Masonry and an ambition to serve their lodge may qualify themselves for greater service. From among these brethren there will undoubtedly be found those who will be willing to further qualify themselves for the larger service of District Deputy Grand Master. Such a position requires that they should be fully informed regarding the Code and Ritual and possess a thorough knowledge of the proper conduct of the business of the lodge. Having confidence that the prospect of an opportunity to serve in such capacity would be considerably enlarged if

the term of office of District Deputy Grand Master was limited, I am, therefore, recommending that the number of consecutive years a District Deputy Grand Master may serve be limited to three.

NEW MEXICO, 1941 (Grand Master)

To the Officers of Constituent Lodges: A great deal of correspondence and time could be saved by all concerned if every stationed officer of each constituent lodge would carefully read the Constitution and By-Laws of our Grand Lodge.

It is hereby recommended that this Grand Lodge consider the advisability of requiring every elective officer of each constituent Lodge to report to the Grand Master that he has carefully read the Constitution and By-Laws of this Grand Lodge within six months after date of his installation.

OREGON, 1941 (Grand Master)

Down through the years have Masons and Masonry played an important part in the growth and development of this great commonwealth. Likewise have Masons and Masonry made valuable contributions in shaping the destiny of this great Republic—a nation which has endured in freedom, independence and prosperity for over a century and a half—the greatest nation of all time.

It seems that the problems of each succeeding year present greater responsibilities and carry added significance. But perhaps at no time in our history have the problems internationally been of greater concern; have been more acute . . . more varied and complex . . . broader in their scope and meaning . . . more trying on the souls of men . . . than the problems facing men and Masons throughout the world today.

Major events are occurring in rapid succession. The complexion and character of governments, of political and economic conditions and situations, of rule and dominance,

are altered and changed in the space of a fortnight—yea even before a setting sun. Events, alarming and depressing, are occurring with such rapidity these days that the destinies of entire nations and of free peoples for years to come, may be determined and decided as this very paragraph is being written.

As we observe the wanton waste and ruthless destruction of human life and property . . . as we observe the repression and subjugation of human rights and liberties . . . as we observe the utter disregard for truth, justice and fraternity . . . as we note the serious and pitiful plight of enslaved peoples . . . as we observe Masonry being made subservient to the fickle whims of ruthless dictators . . . when we note that members of ancient and honorable institutions are denied the right of conclave and convention . . . then do we realize more and more the magnitude of the problems and responsibilities, present and future, which are ours as men and Masons . . . as liberty loving Americans.

All the instincts of our democracy revolt as we read of free peoples being enslaved by the ancient formula of tyranny . . . peoples whose only offence was belief in the dignity of the human soul.

Masonry has been denied and forbidden in Germany, Poland, Austria, Russia, France, Denmark, Belgium, the Netherlands, Yugoslavia, Greece, Norway, Spain and Italy. And today those same tyrannical forces are knocking at the doors of our Mother Grand Lodge. God grant that those doors may never be opened unto them.

The forces of greed, of hate, and of lust for power have laid waste and destroyed beautiful monuments, historic edifices, structures of great significance, and even temples of worship. The morale and culture of enlightened peoples have been subordinated. Sympathies and emotions have been dampened and subjected . . . principles and traditions have been shattered and destroyed . . . even the thinking of these confused and perplexed souls is, so far as possible, being channelized and directed. Thought and meditation need be but for a fleeting moment to appreciate the problems and

responsibilities facing the great institution of Masonry. And when we speak of the responsibilities of Masonry, we speak of the responsibilities of a great liberty-loving people who have knowledge and faith that the principles of liberty, truth, and justice, and the belief in the power of an Almighty God will, in the end, prevail. We do not and cannot believe that the eternal flame of righteousness in men's souls can be extinguished by any group or any combination of sinister forces.

Truths and fundamentals though temporarily crushed or subdued, will rise again, and, once more will the flame of Masonry be the great beacon light destined to point the way to a confused civilization.

IOWA, 1941 (Grand Master)

During the year the dark clouds of war, with its horrors, its terrorism, and its destruction of life and property, were ever present. No one could escape a feeling of impending danger. These things have been uppermost in the thoughts of all of us. None are more mindful of the world confusion than are the members of the Masonic Fraternity. We are looking for peace and for security, but there is no peace, there is no security. As we look upon this ghastly exhibition of brute force we see peaceful nations, guilty of no offense, wantonly attacked, their homes and farms ravaged, their cities and towns sacked and pillaged, their governments destroyed, and their free institutions crushed, all to gratify the malevolent hate, greed, and wicked ambition of a cruel and ruthless dictator.

As we look upon this bloody struggle we cannot help but wonder when and how it will all end. How much of civilization will be left after the last shot has been fired? Who will be victor? Masonry throughout the entire world has a distinct stake in the result of this conflict. Masonry thrives on freedom and democracy. On the other hand, Masonry has given to the world much of the freedom and democracy that is now and has heretofore been enjoyed.

All our institutions of freedom that have been built up and perpetuated through the centuries the dictators now seek to destroy and annihilate. Should they succeed in accomplishing their unholy designs, it would be an unparalleled disaster to Masonry. But Masonry cannot be thus destroyed for it is founded on truth, right, and justice. The most excellent tenets of our Institution are friendship, morality, and brotherly love. It is only that which is just, that which is pure, that which is right that will ultimately prevail. Only wrong and injustice and evil can ever be completely destroyed. Truth and right can never die.

By the Great Light of Masonry, the Holy Bible which is our Spiritual Trestle Board, we are taught to "Prove all things; hold fast to that which is good." Just what things have we today that have been proven to be good? Among other things I would suggest: Churches of the Living God, where men may worship their Creator according to the dictates of their own conscience; our Country and the American Way of Life, where there is liberty and justice for all; our Homes, where each family may live in peace and comfort, unmolested and unafraid; our Free Public Schools, where youth is developed into the highest type of American manhood and womanhood; and our great Masonic Fraternity, in which is so beautifully taught the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. All these have been proven, beyond peradventure, to be good. Every Master Mason is determined to hold fast to these proven institutions, in order that they may not perish from the earth, but may be preserved and perpetuated for us and for all those who come after us.

May the Great Architect of the Universe continue to direct us in all our laudable undertakings.

TEXAS, 1941 (Grand Master)

The world now suffers from the tyranny of the dictator and the tyranny of the mob. Intolerance, hatred and insane ambition again walk abroad. This evil force, conceived and led by a small group of selfish men, for the past several

years has visited, and is now inflicting, the cruelest of persecution upon innocent and defenseless people, sparing not the weak, the women, the children or the aged, but have purposely vented their hatred and anger against these helpless and unfortunate victims.

We have witnessed with sorrow and horror the rights of sovereign nations, large and small, ignored and destroyed by brutal force; boundary lines have been violated; solemn treaties ignored; free and peaceful people enslaved; homes and hopes disturbed and destroyed; and in many instances torture and death have been the lot of those who professed belief in Almighty God, and atheism has been forced upon millions of people. This agency of terror is engaged in a very strange, and until recently unheard of, warfare. Churches, hospitals, libraries, museums, and the homes of defenseless people have been purposely and deliberately destroyed, with no excuse except "to terrorize those whose countries have stood in the way of the selfish ambition of an individual." This evil and atrocious persecution, while not confined to any particular country, people or organization, yet seemingly has singled out for its first victims and reserved for its cruelest and most inhuman torture and ignomy those who have knelt at the holy altar of Freemasonry. This we must not ignore.

Again let us give devout thanks to our Heavenly Father for our safety and the privileges that are ours, but at the same time implore and beseech His divine protection and mercy not only for our unfortunate brethren, but for the other victims of this relentless cruelty.

History is replete with the story of the world's long, bitter and slow progress in the constant battle against ignorance, superstition and oppression. Hundreds of years lie behind the destruction of a complete despotism and of the establishing of democracy and a republican form of government. Behind the story lies an untold number of inspiring acts of courage, faith and sacrifiice in connection with the lives of those men who fought to establish justice, equality and freedom for all, more particularly in our own great Nation. And in this Nation this glorious accomplishment

was realized to a great extent through the sacrifice, courage and influence of our own early Masonic ancestors. For these things that Freemasons have always placed even above life itself, and are now seriously and boldly challenged, I feel that Horatius has given us the answer, as well as the inspiration for the future: "How can a man die better than when facing fearful odds for the ashes of his fathers and the temples of his gods?"

Let us again recall that all dictators—they who would wield tyrannical power, the enemies of free government, religious, political and social freedom—have undertaken as their initial step to crush and destroy Masonic lodges, exile, imprison and put to death Freemasons. This destruction of human and sacred rights, dear to the heart of all free people, cannot be successfully accomplished unless and until Freemasonry has been suppressed and detroyed. This, my brethren, is a great tribute to Freemasonry and Masons, but also places a grave and far-reaching responsibility on each of us. Our duty is clear and must be accepted. May our Institution lead always as a moral and spiritual agency.

KENTUCKY, 1941 (Grand Master)

The very temper of the times has added to our anxiety and the strain of our labor. We could almost join Shakespeare in the thought that, "The times are out of joint." The earth has been enthralled in the most gigantic armageddon that ever enmeshed humanity. Nation after nation—thirteen in all—has caved into the maelstrom and had its liberties blacked out. The most precious and priceless of the institutions of these nations are, at least temporarily, in eclipse. The Axis Powers (or rather the Axis Power) have bludgeoned the continent of Europe into insensibility, and are trying to hold her there by brutal and ruthless force. Henry Chappell, the "Bath Railway Poet," expressed in his poem, THE DAY, an estimate of Germany, which fits not only the first World War, but also holds for the second one:

"THE DAY"

"You boasted the Day, and you toasted the Day,
And now the Day has come.
Blasphemer, braggart and coward all,
Little you reck of the numbing ball,
The blasting shell, or the 'white arm's' fall,
As they speed poor humans home.

"You spied for the Day, you lied for the Day,
And woke the Day's red spleen.
Monster, who asked God's aid Divine.
Then strewed His seas with the ghastly mine;
Not all the waters of all the Rhine
Can wash thy foul hands clean.

"You dreamed for the Day, you schemed for the Day;
Watch how the Day will go
Slayer of age and youth and prime
(Defenseless slain for never a crime)
Thou art steeped in blood as a hog in slime,
False friend and cowardly foe.

"You have sown for the Day, you have grown for the Day;
Yours is the Harvest red.
Can you hear the groans and the awful cries?
Can you see the heap of slain that lies,
And sightless turned to the flame-split skies
The glassy eyes of the dead?

"You have wronged for the Day, you have longed for the Day
That lit the awful flame.
'Tis nothing to you that hill and plain
Yield sheaves of dead men amid the grain;
That widows mourn for their loved ones slain,
And mothers curse thy name.

"But after the Day there's a price to pay
For the sleepers under the sod
And Him you have mocked for many a day—
Listen, and hear what He has to say,
'Vengeance is mine, I will repay'.
What can you say to God?"

—Henry Chappell.

America has stood on the outer rim of the caldron and looked into the flaming ruin. We do not know whether we can wait to join the builders at the end of the war, or whether we must, for a time, join the destroyers. One thing we do know is that we can thank a Great and Gracious God that our land has remained in comparative peace, with the blessings of "Liberty, Equality, Fraternity" still in our possession. Another thing we think we know is that, when the colossal upheaval is over, the world will be beset with its leading era of chaos in all time, and that we shall need all the noble purposes, beautiful ideals and Christian virtues to keep us straight and to enable us to stand in the vanguard of master builders to reshape a broken and shattered world.

Masonry's mighty task is to keep itself strong and virile and to join inseparable hands with that other twin giant of the modern era—the Church of God—in helping men to keep steady before the lashings of all the tides of time. Some day we shall need to extend helping hands across the seas, with strong grips, to help pull our brethren back into possession of their institutions and their liberties.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1941 (Grand Master)

We are assembled together in a time never more distressing in the history of the Fraternity, when in very deed, pruning hooks are turned into spears, and ploughshares into swords, where the destruction of human lives goes on at a pace never equalled in the history of the world. Until but recently we viewed this carnage from afar—now it has reached our threshold and would devour us. Greed, avarice, lust for power, and domination of men's minds grapple at the throats of freemen. 150 years ago our brethren threw off this same yoke of servitude, and looking to God for guidance established this Government, the basic law of which is religious freedom, freedom of speech and press, and the sanctity of every man's home. Totalitarianism violates every one of the rights we hold dear. It has grown into a mighty force for destruction. Now, after a 150 years of liberty we

are called upon to crush this mighty monster. We are in the doing of it, and even now the dread messenger of death has invaded the precincts of our homes, but the battle cry must be, "For God, our Country and Humanity." The lines of James Russell Lowell encourage us:

"Though the cause of evil prosper,
Yet 'tis truth alone is strong;
Though her portion be the scaffold,
And upon the throne be wrong,
Yet that scaffold sways the future,
And, behind the dim unknown,
Standeth God within the shadow,
Keeping watch above His own."

The Masonic Fraternity must assume grave responsibilities in the prosecution of this warfare, and the greater the responsibility we assume to bring to a close this dreadful slaughter, the greater will be our influence to establish a PEACE and the only PEACE—PEACE founded upon a belief in God as the Creator and Preserver of mankind and upon the principles that each one of us has, at the Altar of Freemasonry, before God, sworn to observe.

NEW SOUTH WALES, 1941 (Grand Master)

The Grand Master reported that the Grand Lodge had remitted the payment of dues from private lodges on behalf of the brethren who have embarked for service overseas, and that the respective lodges in turn have remitted their proportion, thus retaining them in full membership during their service abroad.

He also makes an earnest appeal to the Worshipful Masters of lodges to conserve their funds for we do not realize how vitally important it is in these difficult times to conserve the funds of our lodges as far as we possibly can, and I think especially should we moderate our expenditure in the South.

WASHINGTON, District of Columbia, 1941 (Grand Master)

From the Grand Master's opening remarks we cull the following:

> "Freemasons are peace loving. Their purposes can best be accomplished among peoples at peace with their neighbors and amid conditions which make for mutual confidence and respect between nations and their citizens. Unfortunately, these conditions have little or no place in the world today. They have been supplanted by bitterness and hatred and many nations, disregarding their solemnly enacted treaties, have adopted a policy of dishonesty, treachery and brutal warfare. Amid all the disruption of normal activities which has resulted, one thing stands before us clear as the noon-day sun, and that is the duty and the obligation which devolve upon us as Masons to support freely, cheerfully and to the last ounce of our strength the free government of the United States and those into whose hands, by vote of our citizenry, the direction of its affairs has been placed, and to put our contribution to the Nation's welfare ahead of every consideration of personal interest or preference. I am confident that we shall not be found wanting in the performance of this duty and these obligations. Supporting the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us all strive valiantly for a just victory, for the coming of the day when truth and honor and God's righteousness shall dominate the whole earth and all its people."

ENGLAND, 1941-42 (Board of General Purposes)

Admission of Visitors and Endorsement of Grand Lodge Certificates: The Board desires once more to emphasize the importance, especially at the present time when so many brethren from overseas are in this country, that only those who belong to Jurisdictions recognized by the Grand Lodge are admitted as visitors. It is not sufficient that visitors should be proved in the usual manner. They **must,** in addition, produce documentary evidence that they belong to a Jurisdiction so recognized. In all cases of doubt, enquiries should be made in the first instance to the Grand Secretary or the Provincial Grand Secretary, as the case may be.

In this connection, the Board wishes to make clear the irregularity of the practice which obtains in some lodges of having the visiting brother's Certificate endorsed by the Master, testifying that he has visited the particular lodge. A brother's Grand Lodge Certificate is a document issued by the authority of his M.W. Grand Master, and should not bear any endorsement or inscription other than that which may be specially authorized by the Grand Master.

Provision of Mobile Canteens for Distressed Areas: The Board has been informed that the donation made by Grand Lodge on June 4th last to H.R.H. The Duke of Gloucester's Red Cross and St. John Fund has been applied to the purchase of four mobile canteens to be used for providing immediate refreshment to those who are rendered homeless by enemy action. The vehicles will be sent to the areas where they are most urgently required. The Board feels sure that the Craft will be gratified to hear that the grant has been utilized in this way.

Lodge Subscriptions. Members Serving with H.M. Forces: The Board finds it necessary once again to draw attention to the question of subscriptions payable to their lodges by members of His Majesty's Forces, as many lodges still appear to misunderstand the position, which is as follows:

(a) A Lodge may resolve, after notice on the summons, to reduce the subscriptions.

(b) A Lodge may not resolve that all such Brethren be relieved of the payment of subscriptions.

(c) A Lodge may relieve a particular member of the payment of his subscription if he is suffering financial disability by reason of such service, but not otherwise.

(d) In no circumstances may a Lodge remit the contribution to Grand Lodge or Provincial or District Grand Lodge in respect of a member who has not paid his subscription.

(e) Rule 148 of the Book of Constitutions will operate, except in cases under (c), if the subscriptions of a Brother remain unpaid for three full years.

The Board wishes to point out that the above position arises from the directions contained in the circular issued by the Grand Secretary in September, 1939, and endorsed by Grand Lodge in the following December.

With regard to paragraph (e) above, owing to the world-wide extension of the War and the nature of the various Services, representations may be made by a note against the name on the Annual Returns of Members to Grand Lodge in cases where the brother's service with the Forces is such as to make it impossible or difficult for him to correspond with his lodge, for a deferment of the operation of the Rule until communication with him is established, when such representation will be dealt with according to the facts of the case.

GEORGIA, 1941 (Grand Master)

There are no words by which we can describe the things which have come to pass in the world of these last two years. Only a year ago reference was made from this rostrum to the fact that the dictators of the world were attempting to divide all earthly wealth among themselves, and to bring under their despotic heels the control of all the peoples of the earth. Today I need not tell you how far along that path the world has come, nor in what measure Masonry has participated in the struggle against the progress of despotism. I need not point out to you how many Free Masons of despoiled countries have been executed or cast into prison. Hardly a Grand Lodge survives on the entire continent of Europe, and officially Masonry has suffered beyond computation.

Again, as in other years of difficulty and tyranny, the brethren are compelled to meet only in the strictest secrecy and in deadly peril of their lives. We see a world in which all values are rapidly shifting, where standards and criteria of conduct and ethics appear to be movable. Nowhere do we find the stability of the previous decade—only the moving restlessness characteristic of the day. Freedom of thought, freedom of religion and intellectual opportunity and practice are left to few people on this earth except ourselves.

Our happiness in the possession of these priceless liberties is not without a tinge of sorrow that our brethren in all the rest of the world have lost them, nor is our pride in their possession without a tinge of apprehension that we ourselves may find it necessary to strike out valiantly in their defense. Our allegiance to the Government under which we live is second only to our allegiance to our God. Without question, every loyal Mason will assist in the service of his country on any and all occasions when called upon to do so.

A Bill authorizing the wearing of Masonic badges, pins or other emblems by the wife, daughter, mother or sister of a living Master Mason who is in good standing, or by the widow, mother or sister of a deceased Mason who was in good standing at the time of his death.

Be it enacted by the Grand Lodge of Georgia, Free and Accepted Masons: That is shall be lawful for the wife, mother, unmarried daughter or unmarried sister of a Master Mason who is living and in good standing, or for the widow during her widowhood, mother, unmarried daughter or unmarried sister of a deceased Mason who was in good standing at the time of his death, to wear a Masonic badge, pin or other Masonic emblem, but this shall not apply to the wife, mother, widow, daughter or sister of a demitted Mason.

Respectfully submitted for passage:

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Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence. Adopted.

MARYLAND, 1941 (Grand Master)

School on Law: For many years we have conducted Schools of Instruction in the work, which the officers may attend at frequent intervals to increase their proficiency in the Ritual. Through these schools the standards of the work have been maintained upon a high level, and no one would say a word in disparagement of them.

There is, however, another important qualification which a presiding officer must possess, namely—the ability to conduct the affairs of his lodge in an orderly manner, along established lines of procedure, and to rule upon questions of law as they arise from time to time. This requires a familiarity with the rules of law and procedure which govern the Craft, and is quite as important, in my opinion, as familiarity with the Ritual. Yet we have heretofore provided no method whereby the officers may acquire such knowledge, except by reading the Constitution and Standing Resolutions, and the Code, and by observing the rulings of others in open lodge. The annual meeting of the incoming Masters with the Committee on Examination of Worshipful Masters in the Law, is more a school of examination than one of instruction, although it partakes of the features of both. But it does not afford the junior officers any opportunity of participating, and occurring only once a year, it is of little practical value as an instruction agency.

I therefore determined to set up Schools of Instruction in the Law, under the Grand Master, working through the Committee on Examination of Masters, and the first of these schools was held in this room on Thursday, March 27th, of this year. It was set up not on the round-table discussion plan, but rather in the form of a lodge in session, conferring degrees and transacting regular business, during the course of which various situations which might arise in any lodge, but somewhat unusual in their nature, were portrayed and acted upon by the Master in a manner which illustrated the action which should be taken under the circumstances. Seven or eight such situations were developed, and after each, a member of the committee explained the principle involved and the rule of law or procedure governing it.

There were fifty Lodges represented, fifteen being from the counties, which is very commendable, with a total attendance of one hundred and ninety-eight; one hundred and twenty-six of this number were line officers, forty-four were Past Masters, and twenty-eight were Master Masons from the side lines. Enthusiastic expressions of appreciation were heard on all sides, and in my opinion the establish-

ment of such schools is a constructive forward step which will greatly improve the efficiency of our officers in presiding over the important business of their lodges when they are elected to the East. It is my purpose to hold these schools at fairly frequent intervals and in various parts of the State.

UTAH, 1941 (Grand Master)

My experiences and observations throughout the year have deepened my conviction that Freemasonry is too precious and its mission too vitally important to mankind to be neglected. In the chaotic world of today there is more need than ever for greater devotion to its principles and the earnest promotion of its welfare. Freemasonry is universal in its character and acceptable to all good men regardless of race or creed. Its philosophy is soundly based upon the natural rights of man; the right to be free, the right to know justice, and the right to experience the love and respect of our fellowmen; the right to think for ourselves and to worship according to the dictates of our own conscience. These Masonic principles and ideals are also cornerstones in the foundation of our blessed republic, and I am sure that we Americans and as Masons fully appreciate, in these trying times when tyranny and despotism are seriously threatening our very ideal in practically every quarter of the world, the importance and necessity of carrying on our work with more patience and perseverance than ever before, to the end that our ideals and our principles shall be preserved, and that civil liberty and religious freedom may endure among men and among nations. We owe it to ourselves, to our fellowmen, to God, to our country to cherish and protect the name of Freemasonry.

KANSAS, 1942 (Grand Master)

Although the glorious history of our institution may entitle us to a comfortable feeling of pride, it would be fatal for us to rest upon the record of past achievements. Masonry today is being tested as never before. A world in torment

has issued a challenge that we cannot ignore. Where people who have been taught the principles of self-government are being herded and driven like beasts of the field, there is the irrepressible cry for the brotherhood of free men. Where greed and avarice are encroaching upon human lives and human rights, there must be re-awakened a spirit of altruism. Where cynical brutality is dominant, there is an unquenchable longing for lofty idealism. Where solemn covenants and promises have been contemptuously broken, there must be fostered the principles of fidelity and integrity. Where hatred and voilence prevail, there is need for the mystic trowel. Where pride and arrogance reign, there must be nurtured the spirit of humility that recognizes a Divine Source of strength and wisdom. Where atheism has produced spiritual lethargy, there must be re-kindled a consciousness of the abiding presence of God. Where people have sunk to the depths of despair, they must be given that solace which can revive in their hearts the spirit of hope.

Masonry is founded upon the principles that are needed. Never were they more sorely needed than today. A mere cessation of warfare will not cure the ills of the world. We must highly resolve that out of this holocaust will come a peace founded upon the ideals that are contained within the teachings of our institution.

Can Masonry meet the challenge? It cannot do so by pretending to be a substitute for the Church. It cannot by trying to follow the pattern of a chamber of commerce. It cannot by becoming a political faction. The universality of Masonry must be maintained.

Can we meet the challenge? We can hope to do so if we have sufficient patience and wisdom; if we live the principles of Masonry in our relations with ourselves, our neighbors, our country and our God; if we steadfastly uphold and promulgate those principles in our private and public affairs, to the end that the world at large may be convinced of their good effects. Time, patience and perseverance can accomplish a world-wide recognition of the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God.

The Mason as a Citizen: During the dark days of the Civil War, M.W. Jacob Saqui, in his address as Grand Master, said: "Obedience to the government is and ever has been, the duty of Masons, and it should be our pleasure, as it undoubtedly is to our interest, to comply with the injunctions of this cardinal principle." These words are as true today as they were when they were spoken eighty years ago.

A few months ago, as individual citizens and Freemasons, we could differ on questions of international policy. Now the debate is over. The government under whose protection we live is engaged in a titanic struggle that cannot cease until it ends in victory for the principles of democracy and liberty. Now, as individual Freemasons, in demonstrating our allegiance to that government, we must have the fortitude to make every necessary sacrifice.

We cannot all bear arms, and we cannot all share the hardships and horrors of actual conflict; but we can all help to fight the battles for the survival of brotherhood and freedom by doing our utmost to uphold and strengthen our National Government in the present crisis.

LOUISIANA, 1942 (Grand Master)

As our nation is now engaged in the greatest struggle for its existence in its whole history, I am positive that Freemasonry is going to step forth and take its place in the front lines, exerting its powerful influence in the defense and preservation of those ideals and principles for which we have always stood. Freemasonry built the foundation of this nation, and built it according to plans designed by the Supreme Architect of the Universe upon the Masonic trestle board. Its teachings of the true principles of democracy ever since our government was set up until the present day, has been the backbone and strength of our nation. The two and one-half millions of Masons of today are going to play their full part as the Masons of the past have in every crisis in our history.

On every occasion I have brought to the minds of the Craft, the importance of loyalty and patriotism. In every great crisis of our American history, Freemasonry has always played an important part on the side of justice. We are proud of our heritage, proud of the part that Freemasonry has played in the formation and stabilization of our government. So, if we as Masons of today are going to justify our great heritage, it is up to us to preserve and defend the ideals and principles of Freemasonry and America now.

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